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We Live in Dragon's Peak - Chapter 1

Chapter 1: The beginning is from the historic ruins exploration

「Kiri focus on that & the shrine maidens should focus on developing a barrier magic ! Those who are injured and the people who don't have confidence with their skills should proceed inside ! 」

As the hero Ristia hurled his instructions, he himself went to the front line and swung his holy sword. The holy flame sword raised a growl as it swooped and reduced the demons into ashes. The hot temperature has also been transmitted to me from behind. The heat that can burn my skin brought me back to my consciousness and I ran away to the barrier that Kiri and her friends made.

Though Ristia continuously killed but another demons which was also the same as the ones he killed were also in the ceiling of the dim ruins as they cling to it like bats. There were small ogres at the interior of the passageway furthermore as it gave of a frightening look towards here.

Let's say it clearly. I do not have any confidence with my skills. I can't freaking be the opponent of those demons even if I had confidence in my skills. The people who didn't have any confidence like me and the people who had confidence with their skills but doesn't have the courage to fight against the demons hid within the barrier magic that Kiri, Inea and Ruiseine developed together. Two teachers and 5 knights of the kingdom with Ristia added formed a 12 man formation and fought with the demons that suddenly appeared.

「I'll drop the ones in the ceiling who are exhausted with my flames. Everyone must fight back while defending the barrier」

The knights of the kingdom which didn't exceed 11 people according to Ristia's command fell behind to the barrier a bit and formed a formation again。

「Why are there demons in this ruins」
「It's scary ! Scary ! 」

Everyone from our school year that ran to the inside of the barrier brought out words of fear and shrieked。I also lost my waist strength and sat to the ground in fear。Still, my glance to the front line of the battle was with the hero Ristia who I yearn for and I felt relieved and secure since he can absolutely save us from this predicament。

The hero who has been chosen by the holy sword。Ristia who possesses amazing talents while also being the same age as us and goes to the same school。Not only us but the whole men of the kingdom stares at him with the eyes of envy and also women who hold goodwill to this handsome youth。

(TLN: I hate bishounen that is not the MC but if it's a bro then I'll approve of him. Bros before hoes bruh)

Surely in case of him、he won't be defeated even if how many demons he engages。

While restraining the small ogres that came from the interior of the passage way、Ristia faced towards the upper row and mowed it down。The sword that sparkled with a red light shot out a wave of flame thereupon and was shot out to the demons that were in an upside down position in the ruin's ceiling。

(TLN: I keep on typing it Restia instead of Ristia.....damn you STnBD)

When the demons flapped their eerie wings from their backs、they soared in flight while panicking to evade the attack。

Though the small ogres approached Ristia which was gazing upon the demons in the ceiling but he passed in the side of the small ogres with a speed that my eyes can't catch up to and leap to the wall which became his foothold as he started to cut up the demons。

He played at the demons and small ogres with an unexpected movement and torn up one of the wings of the demon and dropped it on the ground。

With the small ogres that their attentions were moved from the ceiling to the ground, the knights of the kingdom started to cut them up. Though they became a shape where they were caught off guard but the small ogres were still demons. After 5 knights of the kingdom finally finished them off, it finally became a free for all fight.

To the fact that they needed five people which were even knights of the kingdom to knock down a small ogre, I was reminded of that while shivering. Even if how many demons with the standard of the small ogre, I thought that it wasn't an opponent for the brave and resolute knights of the kingdom.

The fight of Ristia that torn up the demon's wings and fell it to the ground was rivaled. However, though the surprise attack of the knights of the kingdom against the small ogres was a good fight but it changed to be inferior for a moment.

As it became advantageous with the additional participation of the panicking teachers and the brave students, the front of the battle was managed to be kept.

The knights of the kingdom and the teachers lead us as they protected us while risking their lives. Apart from that, four of the students who were at the same grade as us that were also inside the barrier joined the battle too and not only I but other students were shocked too. Furthermore, 2 of those were girls. One person from those 2 girls is the 4th princess of the kingdom in addition.

We who were frightened inside the barrier, how miserable were we. However, there is no other way. We who weren't chosen like Ristia, would even lose to the weak monsters that would infests the suburbs.

And the 4 people including the 4th princess that took part of the battle outside the barrier, were the people who sworn their life with the hero. So to speak, they were the chosen people that were chosen by the chosen hero and they were able to fight with Ristia.

(TLN: I heard that you like choosing so I chose some chosen people who were chosen by some chosen people so you could choose them)

There weren't any shortcomings with the equipment of those 4 students and they fought more superior than the knights of the kingdom.

When doing so, Ristia who finished turning the demons to ashes with the flames of his holy sword now participated with the battle against the small ogres.

The situation has become better now.

The knights of the kingdom, teachers and students staved off the small ogre's attacks while Ristia slayed them. The flames that the holy sword shoots out danced wildly in the dim ruins.

While my eyes were deprived from following the flames, the battle ended.

When Ristia slices the last small ogre into two, he put away the holy sword into the sheath which was beautifully decorated with a black and red design on his waist. And the students who came back to our place after the fight ended had an expression of relief in their faces.

「Is everyone safe」

While regaining his breath, Ristia approached the barrier that the shrine maidens Kiri and everyone made. Though I understood that the knights of the kingdom, teachers and students had a tired expression in their faces but Ristia who was short of his breath reflected to me like he still had room for more.

As expected of the hero-sama, only this one guy differs with too much ability.

While Ristia made a sparkling like smile, he returned to us common students who were now settling down.

「If there is no one that is seriously injured in here then shall we go out of this ruins for the time being. We'd be troubled if something came out again」

Kiri and the shrine maidens undone the barrier with Ristia's instruction, and the five knights of the kingdom abides by it. Though there were still people and school girls who were crying and are frightened but we managed to begin to walk towards the outside by holding hands with each other.

(TLN: HOLDING HANDS! LEWD! OMG! CENSOR THIS PLEASE!)

When I also managed to stand up, I followed after everyone and began walking.

Then Ristia approached me.

「Ernea、you really helped me there。If you didn't promptly notice the demons then what would have become of us」

(TLN: Hmm....It looks like Ristia is a BRO.... Ok! I'll approve of you. You can have a harem of your own but no NTR pls)

Ristia lightly tapped my shoulder and said so。

(TLN: My YAOI senses are tingling Looks like they're good friends)

It was so incidentally。I found an unusual presence that was covered at the side when we were doing the scouting practice in the ruins in the entering order and it was me who consulted Ristia for his attention。The strange presence became true which are the demons that were hiding tried to catch us off guard。

「It's since I didn't think that demons would come out of the ruins in the vicinity of the kingdom's capital city。I would also be in danger if I was caught off guard。You can be proud of this happening today」

With Ristia's smile and words of thanks、I felt something that filled my heart。I ran off to the barrier when the demons came out and for him to say those words to me that lost the strength of my legs and fell down in fear。

Won't I fall in love for you if you say that。

(TLN: GAYYYYYYYYYYYYYYYYYYYYYYYYYYYY)

It's truly good that Ristia is a guy。

However、if I think about it。In spite of after having an intense battle like that、he still leads the tired looking knights of the kingdom and us students of the same class as him and his awareness of the surroundings is perfect。His beautiful golden hair which looked like it just got shampooed and beautiful lively eyes like it were a woman's、oh what a perfect person he is。It wasn't filled with evil or envy、but my yearning that i hold for him was pure。

(TLN: This sounds so gay that I'm literally cringing in here)

I'm sure that other students also feel this way。

Though how many achievements has been made by Ristia up to now、I didn't hear any envy nor abuse for him at all。

Especially since he's a chosen one of the holy sword, so there's no other way that he's also become the fiancé of the fourth princess Serisu-sama which was called the beautiful jewel of the kingdom, in which the nation-wide men just breathed out a sigh while the women didn't say any dissatisfaction.

Incidentally, Serisu-sama also participated in the previous combat. Though she had an appearance of a lovely beautiful girl but as expected of the legal wife candidate of the hero. She would never part from Ristia's side ever. While she wore her soft-looking blue hair up, her visible nape was also beautiful. Of course her small face also possessed both the dignity of the royal family and her loveliness, since it suits her title as the number one of the kingdom.

AND THAT.

THAT BREASTS-SAMA OF HERS.

(TLN: Now you guys know why I picked this up...hue hue...but don't expect too much ecchi ok? Ecchi is for Commushou)

Ah, how wonderful those are. For those Breasts-sama to be owned by Ristia, I'm becoming really jealous right now.

And while I was staring at the direction of Serisu-sama, Ristia nodded.

「Those shaking breasts, how wonderful those are. Though I haven't touched those yet but I'll be able to enjoy it in the future」

(TLN: The 4 breasts knights: Hiroto, Ernea, Ristia and their leader Missere Meow....though 1 of those guys ain't a virgin...SPOILER!)

Apparently, Ristia was also thinking of that too. We both nodded at each other as we watched Serisu-sama's bouncing oppai for a short while.

However, for Ristia to still haven't touched those breasts. It seems like the royal family's virtue is firm.

Serisu-sama walked while accompanying the schoolgirls who were still frightened.

While the two people were enjoying the bouncing breasts of Serisu-sama, the three students who participated in the battle approached them.

We, or though it is Ristia that they went to。

「The gentlemen of the knights of the kingdom are in the rear so we'll be scouting the exit of the ruins。 We'll leave the commanding of everyone to you」

The one who just spoke was Slatton。 Ristia's childhood friend and a resourceful swordsman。 In case of having a fencing match with him then he is the only one in the whole grade who can fight equally with Ristia。 With his messy black hair that always increases, I think that he should fix his hair since he's fighting with a hero。

「Then I'll do so」

The 2 people who were in a line at his back were Crishia and Namy。

Crishia and Slatton are mutually in love with each other and she is also a companion of Ristia since Slatton is with him。 Though she also has black hair like Slatton but she has her hair collected up and throws it at her back unlike him。 Though all of us still have young features in our faces as 14 year old but she looked a bit older and more beautiful。

The other one is Namy which is the second bride candidate of Ristia。

Such an impact。

Though Ristia was 14 year old like us but he already has 2 bride candidates。

The first bride candidate is of course the 4th princess Serisu-sama by the way。 Namy is the second person that came to us now。 The other Shrine maiden is Kiri。

The temple's side hesitates to make her marry Ristia since he already has 2 bride candidates so it is still unofficially recognized。

「I want to be beside Ristia」

The short girl who uses boku complained like she was a squirrel。 She jumped while expressing her dissatisfaction which looked very cute。

(TLN: Boku is mostly used for boys)

Though that is what I thought but I think that Ristia is more of the beautiful faction than the cute faction。 Kiri's eyes while looking up is really cute。

「It's an emergency time right now so please treat me favorably」

When Ristia patted her head and asked, she made a smile that since to say like she didn't have any choice and proceeded with me and Slatton in walking towards the exit。

「Even if I say that I'm observing the surroundings but we shouldn't let our guards down」

When Ristia says so, he returned to his serious look。

Certainly, we can't relax our guard。 Since demons might also come out again。

The ruins that we are practicing in right now is in the outskirts of the capital city and it's a place where even if you say that it's a low grade monster but demons might also come out。

Though demons shouldn't appear in this country。

The country that the demons rule is far away in the western side of our kingdom and between the country of the demons and our kingdom is the Dragon's peak where the Dragons and the dragon men inhabit。

Even if the demons started to come to our place but they wouldn't be able to cross over the dragon's peak。

Since the relationship of the Dragon men and the demons are bad so they won't let them pass there。

But though I'm not sure why demons came out in this place but there might be something bad that has happened。

Well, the ones who will be going to solve that is Ristia and his companions though。

It is a far world that I couldn't ever touch。

For now anyways, I wanted to go outside earlier and breathe some fresh air。

Though I was walking as well as Ristia, I didn't talk so I wouldn't be a distraction to him who was watching the surroundings as I silently walked towards the exit。

And like that, we left our first ruins exploration with a bit of being attacked by a strange presence。

We Live in Dragon's Peak - Chapter 2

Chapter 2: Paired blade of the Dancing Princess

My Name is Ernea • Isu. At the west side is the Dragon's peak, at the north is the Flying Dragon hunting grounds & at the south is where the Forest of Dragons is spread out & the Capital city of the kingdom which had a connection with the dragons where an extremely normal like 14 year old boy was raised in . At the present, for the sake of when he will start his journey in the first day of spring when he turns to 15 years old, he has trained with his 30 classmates everyday.

The kingdom of Amuado that I'm living in has an old custom that has remained up to this day which is when a boy or a girl has turned 15 year of age then for a whole year, they would have to part with the land they were raised and go on a journey. That is why I who have turned into a 14 year old boy has to commute to a school and learn techniques for the sake of my journey. If I didn't then I would learn the method of camping and coping up with monsters that might appear. Bu even if I say that, my real situation is that I've moved to the town next to us and endured daily working while studying.

Though it's seldom but there are some people that spent their one year splendidly so they could boast that they have registered as an adventurer but that only happens with several people every year. People like the ones who want to become a knight for the kingdom or the people who want to walk on the path they want to take.

However, This year is a bit different from any usual year.

The people who wanted to become adventurers, they number a bout more than half of the students in my whole class year.

The reason is very easy indeed.

Because within the average normal students of this class, The hero Ristia who has been chosen by the Holy Sword is here. There are a lot of people who have been inspired by him, and that's why the men and women of this school has been wrapped up with a burning enthusiasm to not spend their whole lives very ordinarily.

I who also says this yearns to become an adventurer because of Ristia too but I didn't seem to have any talent in martial arts regrettably but I still haven't given up since it's still isn't summer yet.

I will surely be safe when next year's spring comes so I'll just look for work in the town next to mine.

Unlike me who doesn't have any talent, I'm sure that the Hero Ristia would have a wonderful adventure.

I'm envious of him, is what I thought as I looked up at Ristia who was walking beside me.

Ah, he's taller than me for a bit.

(TLN: Gayyyyyyyyyyyyyyyyyyyyyyyy)

Right now, 10 days have already passed since the Ruins exploration has happened & today is a holiday. While I was on my way to the the large weapon shop in the main street so that I could find a handy weapon for myself, I met Ristia at that time. He doesn't have any of his Bridal candidates with him today unusually while he called for me while also being surrounded by a lot of women.

When the troubled Ristia found me 「Since I'm going out with him today」 is what he said and started to run away. Even if he's the Hero-sama, he seems to be not good when many females enclose around him.

While I'm being thrown with the reproachful gazes of those women, I exited that place with Ristia.

「Haha, I'm really sorry. I was saved since you came by」

Ristia placed his arm on my shoulder and apologized with a small voice.

(TLN: Which feels pretty gay if you ask me)

「That's a very enviable trouble you had there. I haven't had any small talks

with women excluding my mother and the girls at our grade」

「I haven't conversed with any women except the people who came to me for my Hero title」

「No no、I can't trust the word of a fellow who has as many as three brides」

(TLN: And I can't trust the words of a fellow who has ei*** brides, ya know?)

That is so。Ristia has 3 brides in which the legal wife is the 4th Princess of the kingdom。Since he can't formally marry since he still hasn't finished his 1 year journey when he becomes 15 years of age so it's more accurate to call them bridal candidates。

Still、he had pledged his never ending love to the 4th Princess Serisu-sama。Such a person like him wouldn't be not good with women。

(TLN: As if you have any qualifications to say that yourself)

「It's true。Believe in me」

(TLN: Believe in the you that believes in yourself! Your drill is always in your heart)

Ristia started to frantically make excuses after that as I stared at him with lukewarm eyes。

It's not like I don't believe him at all。After all however、since I had envious thoughts for him、then I'll be the only man that will coldly ignore Ristia's excuses。

While ignoring Ristia's excuses from left to right、I suddenly thought of something。

Though I was thinking that I was living an ordinary life but I might be a special existence that all the common people of the kingdom envy。

Well since right now、The hero Ristia has put his arms on my shoulders as we have an intimate talk while walking on the main street。

(TLN:Yaoi flags, Yaoi flags everywhere!)

I didn't think that it would happen when I first entered to this school。There are schools in each district。Though the children who have become 14 years of age would go to the school in their own district but I didn't imagine that I would be going to the same district's school with Ristia。

Though Ristia is an important person for the kingdom as a Hero and is receiving

a special treatment but since he's originally a commoner like me and that's why his parents are very normal。
Since we originally lived as a commoner in the same district then we had to go to the same school。

Ristia had already taken an active part in being a Hero while having 3 bridal candidates already before he even entered the school so I thought that he was already an existence that was in a different dimension。However、he was actually a very great guy so he immediately destroyed the barriers around us and became friends with everyone。

I was able to get along with Ristia because of that too。

However、that was very lucky of me。

Me and Ristia had the same age and the same district we live in。Though I thought that he wasn't really different from me while I was just planning on just watching him but he crossed over the walls of my heart and approached me。

(TLN: This line is so GAYYYYYYYYYYYY...ugh I wanna skip this chapter and Translate the other ones.....where he isn't saying anything gay like this)

In the people who resided in the capital of the kingdom、only a handful of boys and girls were blessed with that good luck。Since 1 of those guys is me then I think that I'm not a bit ordinary。

(TLN: Yep, yar 100% not ordinary. not just a bit)

「So、What are you doing while you're not with your brides as usual?」

I waited a bit for Ristia's excuses to end & I changed the topic。
For me to ignore all of those excuses of him、I'm considerably an adult huh。

「Ah、Yeah。That's right」

Ristia said that and began to look for something in his bag and took out a two oblong parchments。

「Today actually、I was planning on watching a play with Kiri。Even so that girl、she hurriedly entered the temple after she said that she was busy with a sudden business。So when I thought that I was going to be going alone then I thought of inviting someone」

I see、so that's it。Since today was scheduled to be Ristia and Kiri going out together so it seems that Serisu-sama and the others who was always by his side

held back today。

Since Kiri had something to do and it would be inelegant for him to invite his other bridal candidates then he decided to just invite another friend of his。

「And with that」

Ristia presented one long parchment to me。

「Let's watch it together。It'll be your reward from the thing a while ago」

I might really be lucky。For me to watch the play with Ristia。

(TLN: Ugh.....when will this gayness end?Answer: 1 more chap)

Right now、the theatrical company that performs in the king capital which was called from the neighboring country Yorutenitosu Kingdom in the east。Since the tickets for watching it on the 80th has been sold out in the same day so I wasn't able to get any。

For me to be able to look at it in such a place。

「Is it really okay?」

I timidly received the parchment ticket。

「It's really fine。I'm really glad that my problem disappeared since you have taken that ticket」

I have decided to pleasantly accept Ristia's good will。

Since I was dying to see that play at any rate。I didn't have any reason to refuse。

Did he also get delighted like me with a smile on my face、Ristia seemed to be also glad。

「The performance will be at noon。If we go now then we'll be on time after lunch。I'll pay so let's eat right now」

Wahaha。His plan was to eat together with Kiri in reality so he just casually invited me。As expected of the Perfect Hero-sama。He really planned on attacking in the front and back by not just taking her to see the play but even having to eat together。

I have to learn from him、is what I thought but I didn't have a single woman in mind。

(TLN: Don't tell me.....does Hero Ristia SWING BOTH WAYS?)

「For the truth、this is my first time to watch a play」

「Is that so、for your first time to be with that theatrical troupe、Ernea's luck is really good。That place is really awesome」

(TLN: Oh my Gosh! Hero Ristia took his FIRST TIME! Take responsibility and marry this Trap!)

While we were talking of the play that we were gonna be seeing soon、Ristia guided the way from the main street as we walked through it。



Ristia and I had taken our lunch in an elegant dining room that he had already reserved & went towards the place where the play was being held。

(TLN: Good thing the author skipped the gay lunch date)

The clerk in the dining room had a surprised eyes when he saw that it was not a girl which Ristia has brought but me though he didn't mind it。
He would only lose if he minded about it。

(TLN: Threesome gay smex? ugh.....lol I'm just kidding)

When we arrived in the grounds of the play、there were already a lot of guests in the area。

Though I was worrying where we would watch the play but when Ristia showed the man on duty our tickets which seemed to be reserved seats、the person who guided us pointed us to the seats which were very close to the stage。

「So it was the front-most seat huh」

I was surprised at the position of our seats unexpectedly。

「Hahaha。I actually got the tickets from a great person in the king's castle so I didn't know where we were gonna seat too」

Ristia also looked at the remainder of the seats and made a half smile。

Ristia and I bought some drinks and light food in the stalls and returned to our seats as we waited for the play to start。

While we were talking with each other about getting excited on the play

afterwards, the curtains of the stage were raised and the play started。

The actors in the stage were covered in gorgeous garments and had masks as they brilliantly danced as I would say that this isn't just the greatest of Yorutenitosu kingdom。

Not only I but Ristia too have forgotten to touch the food and drinks that we bought and just watched the play。

The contents of the play were the founding of this nation and the neighboring country, the story of the Amuado and Yorutenitosu brothers。

It is a vast territory far west from here where the demons rule over has crossed over here, it was the story of the twins that sliced the land in half while the Dragon men left it alone。 It is a story that everyone who lives in Amuado and Yorutenitosu kingdoms knew of。

And the owner of the holy sword of the founder is Ristia now。

It's possible that this play was decided on since the hero is coming to watch it。 If I say it, we already forgot to blink as we watched the play。

The curtains were lowered after the twin founders defeated the Rotting Dragon King。

We and the rest of the spectators all stood up at once as we accumulated a loud clapping。

I'm really glad that I came here。 It's really good that Ristia invited me。 I was wiping the tears from the corners of my eyes while being touched by the play。

They waited for the spectator's shouts of joy to stop and the curtains were raised again。

On the stage, there was a band that set up a flute and drums as a single beautiful girl was standing there。

The woman was clad with clothes that had a lot of body exposure and she was given two swords that had beautiful decorations with it。

「It's a dance performance」

Ristia told me。

The ending of this theatrical troupe seems to be a dance showdown of the band and the Dancing princess which seems to be an established custom of theirs。

「Dance showdown？」

「You'll understand if you watch it」

He didn't answer my question as Ristia sat in his chair。 Though I sat on my chair reluctantly, the aftertaste of the play a while ago still hasn't gone away from me as my heart was still throbbing up fast。

Though I was thinking that it was just a musical program technique so I was thinking that this would just be normal then the last beautiful play a while ago so I didn't expect anything any longer but the dance showdown started、。

Matched with the tone of the band, the girl who was standing the the center of the stage who was this theatrical troupe's dancer has started to dance。

It was astoundingly beautiful。

It was a dance which from even to the tip of the sword has been shown thoroughly without it blurring as she raised her foot in the air to draw an arc。 The clothes of the girl danced with the girl rhythmically as all of the audiences were attracted to it。

The dancing girl wholeheartedly danced then she stopped her movements when a loud song in the last part ringed and she raised up the twin blades。

Immediately after we thought that it has already ended, the band started to perform for the second time。

The dancing girl matched to the song as she danced yet again。

Then the performance of the band gradually quickened as the dancing girl's dance started to increase in speed too。

I see, so this is a dance showdown。

The band increases their performance speed while the dancing girl who didn't want to get defeated also increase the speed of her dance。

Whoever stops first shall be the one who loses。

It was a disordered musical performance, it was a dance where beauty and

colorfulness wasn't ruined。

I have already forgotten the excitement of the play a while ago as I watched the dancing girl。

I couldn't miss anything that she did。 My eyes were like it was burning as I continued to stare at the dancing girl。

So when the speed of the performance became several times more faster from when it began、 the performance of the band has finally fallen into disorder 。

This fight is the Dancing girl's victory as it ended。

The dancing girl was triumphant but she still held the twin swords beautifully as she deeply bowed to the audience。

The applause and the cheering which we more louder than the play a while ago resounded within the theater。

A lot of bouquets where thrown out to her from the auditorium。 When the girls showed up from the sides of the stage、 the actors of the of the theatrical troupe appeared in front of the footlights。

A well body built middle aged man appeared at the end and gave his thanks a the stage and so the play ended。

Applause has resounded again。

I also clapped my hands until it might have broke。



After seeing the play、 Risita once again guided and ate dinner with me and this day has finished。

Me and Ristia talked about the play from beginning up to the end excitedly。 Among all else、 I highly praised the dance performance。

「That is so。 Though I've seen that dance performance in the past for 3 times now but this time was the best of all。 I'm sure that girl shall leave her name in the history of dancers」

「Yeah、 when that theatrical troupe comes to the king's capital、 I'll definitely buy another ticket and watch it again」

「Not this time but won't it be better to just see it when your feet reach the

Yorutenitosu kingdom in your journey。 They would seem to perform it at 3 intervals in that kingdom's capital excluding the expedition performance」
「I'm different from you Ristia since I don't have the ability to go to the kingdom capital of the Yorutenitosu kingdom」
(TLN: Fuck your lies and chapter 212)

Since it's a 60 day walking travel distance to get to the other side of that King capital。 If one isn't with a large group of adventurers then it would become a dangerous journey。
(TLN: Kek you only need 4 days to do that KEK)

This day grew darker completely as we talked about it so we both went our separate ways。
(TLN: No more GAY!)

I told Ristia my thanks for today as I went home and presented my souvenir and stories to my parents。

Ah、 I forgot to go to the weapon shop。 What should I do、 I don't have any weapon for the battle lessons tomorrow。

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Chapter 3: Ghost Raid

The day changed to the next day. I went to school bare handed. Though I planned to get a weapon of my own yesterday but I completely forgot about it when I watched the play with Ristia.

Since I didn't have any choice then I'll just borrow the weapons of the school for today's battle lesson.

Today's practice shall have a real battle so the students truly had to prepare their own weapons. The people who didn't bring any had no choice.

When I went to school and looked, there were only several students besides me who didn't bring any weapon of their own too. I had companions. I was glad for a brief moment but they went to the direction of the magic training class so they didn't really need any weapon originally.

That is why I alone went to the teacher to borrow a single sword before proceeding to the battle arts lesson.

Battle arts isn't only a single year till next year but since this will be needed for our whole life when a time comes where monsters shall appear before us so it's necessary for me to take this class. So for me to go to school without any weapon prepared for the first day of real training, the glances of the teachers were painful.

Half of today's morning shall be spent on seat studying and the other half shall be the weapon training. The people who have magic power will be taking magic classes & the priests and the shrine maidens who are serving at the temple will go back and start their duties.

When I and Ristia had an exciting conversation about the play yesterday, Kiri

came to us wearing her work clothes so she can return to her temple duties。

「Ristia、I'm really sorry for yesterday」

「Ah、Kiri。Don't worry about it。Since the shrine maiden's work is important。Since I'll be getting tickets for it next time then let's go together at that time。The play this time was the greatest」

「Then I'll indulge you at the next time」

Kiri smiled and bowed politely like what a shrine maiden would do while she looked at my direction afterwards。

「So you went with Ristia as my replacement yesterday huh。The two of us going out with only us seldom happens so I'm jealous」

As Kiri said that、she scowled at me for a bit。

Fwehh、Is she really jealous of me? That's since Kiri had an urgent business yesterday so I got the delicious memories that was going to be hers certainly did happen。

「Ahahaha、thank you for yesterday」

I bowed my head a bit to Kiri as I said my thanks while looking like it's an apology。

「Mouuuu」

(TLN: How can I freaking translate this.....well just watch more anime then you'll know that "Mouuuu")

Kiri puffed her cheeks and sent another glance of protest to me。Well、she looks like she's not really angry though。I haven't seen the sight of the shrine maiden Kiri to get truly angry to begin with。

With that、it didn't have any strength but looked very cute even if how much Kiri growls at me with her drooping like eyes。

「Kiri、If you don't go now then you'll be late」

The person who called Kiri Inea who was a Shrine maiden like her。She has a small height and a child like face and though she's alright with being seen as someone younger but she is an actively good girl。

「That's right。Shall we return now。Then Ristia、Ernea、let's meet tomorrow

moreover」

While Kiri bowed to us, the remaining shrine maiden Ruiseine has finally caught up so they can walk home together。

「Let's rush to the training place too」

Ristia urged me and we went to the training place in a hurry。

The training place is on the site next to the school。If you would ask why they didn't place it within the school is because of the purpose of this place is to attract and subjugate the monsters that would come here。

When we arrived at the training place, the other students were already there & they were showing off their weapons to each other while waiting for the teacher's arrival。

The students who brought their own weapons truly are many。The swords are safe and their usage is easy & it was popular since it wouldn't be in the way since it can just be put in one's waist。There were also people who had spears and axes with shields too。

Though I know how to use spears, but the shields are....is what I was thinking。Though shields were personal and effective but when faced with large monsters, demons, or with the empire on the south where the divine men's overwhelming strength then it would be meaningless。If that is so then most of the effective battles would use light equipment is what the teachers said in the seat study。

When the teachers and the retired knights of the kingdom came and inspected everyone's equipment, the class started。

「Now then, do you all understand why is it that when you all entered this school up to the current, you all were banned to bring your own weapons?」

With the question of the teacher, I answered。
Though it was a general question for everyone, it's unfair for everyone to glance at me。

「After testing the various weapons of the school first of all to ascertain what kind of arms is perfect for the student, it's for practicing for the time that the student will bring their own weapon」

「That is correct. Then, did Ernea not ascertain the weapon that he will use since he didn't bring any today?」

Uuuuh, I became red at the teacher's nasty words.

The students of this class began to laugh.

This is really embarrassing.

However, it's true that I haven't decided on the weapon that I'll be using. Though I've used various swords, bows and spears but I didn't have anything that I could use harmoniously. Therefore I chose the safe answer of using a sword today.

「The practice that you learned will be applied today by using the weapons you brought for the future. Be aware of your surroundings when brandishing your weapons since those have real edges right now」

After what the Teacher said, we separated into the kinds of weapons we had and practiced.

Since I was using a sword, I entered the same group as Ristia. Even if I say it's a sword but it was a lump of iron. Is it because it's not needed to be carried that I immediately felt short of breath with it's heavyness. Different from me, Ristia put out the holy sword and began to exchange blows with his same group.

A boy who had both his hands holding a sword brandished it. His name is Kijirumu it seems. He wielded the heavy sword slowly but his physique was pretty good but his body didn't flow perfectly with his sword. He's not a perfect enemy for Ristia, so his blows were just parried lightly even if he gave off all his strength.

It's not because he was the chosen one of the holy sword, but because he already possesses a talent different from us. Since the teachers also can't win against Ristia, they would just let him teach the students too.

I shall also someday, want to become a man that is being showered with eyes of envy. While thinking of that, I restarted my training of bringing my average sword up and down.

Even if I didn't become like that, I would need a physical ability to cope up by

myself with a monster that would appear to me。 Since I couldn't ask any of the other great guys like Ristia to teach me、 I just worked hard and diligently practiced。

Then when my stomach informed me that it was going to be noon slowly、 the vicinity of the entrance of the training area became noisy。

When I looked at what was happening、 several people who are dressed like adventurers rushed to the inside。

「 Ghosts have been attracted to this place、 all students must take shelter ! 」

The person who said that had a splendid armor and beard with a rough voice。 All the people in the training are got alert and stood immediately。

「 Ghosts you say ! 」

Even Ristia was surprised too。

That wasn't impossible too。 The ghosts usually can't be seen。

Outskirts、 or you can say that it would infest the outside of the town and would take a person's life and would also cause harm to living beings、 There are roughly three of those existences。

First are the monsters。 Though they wouldn't only show up outside but also down town in which they can be considered to be an annoyance but it would be alright to face against it if you can fight。 I'm also training right now to be safe from those kinds of monsters。

When defeating monsters、 one could take magic stones from inside of its body。 The attribute of the magic stone is dependent on the monster it came from and those were indispensable necessities for our daily life。

A flame element magic stone would be useful in winter by placing it in one's clothes while using water magic stones to purify well water, river water or pond water so it would be safe to drink it。

Though it's an essential necessity for daily life but since the demands for the consumption of those articles are many、 there were a lot of adventurers who would hunt monsters for magic stones。

The next ones are call magical beasts。 Though they are larger and more ferocious than wild beasts but they basically won't enter any places where the

humans live。 They would just hurt those they encounter in the mountains who are hunting animals。

However、 magical beasts are very cunning with a higher intelligence than humans so normal adventurers would be in danger when they encounter one。

Lastly are the ghosts。 Though it's undecided where it comes out but they are hardly seen by any one to begin with。 their appearance are like monsters or insects、 most have clay like appearance but though they look like monsters with their name、 ghosts have an eerie appearance that one wouldn't think that it's a being from this world。

Actually、 the ghosts who were attracted in the entrance of the training area had an eerie appearance。

From the sleeves of the coat which looked like it was rotting、 3 long and narrow slender fingers stretched forward and with it are long and sharp fingernails which had an impure violet color。

It didn't have any legs but replaced in it was a lizard's tail like thing that came out as it floated in the air。

The part of its face was totally black even though it's still morning and the only point visible in the face was the reddish eyes in the center of its face。

The students of our class shrieked in fear as they tried to run away。 Of course I also tried to run away。

On the opposite side of the entrance、 there was the preparation building for refuge。

「Slatton ! You must get Serisu and take shelter」

「What are you going to do」

「Of course、 I'll be assisting the adventurers ! 」

After Slatton and Ristia had a short confirmation with each other、 they began to run to each side respectively。

While I watched that from the side、 I went to the preparation building's direction with all my best。

Impossible, impossible, impossible 。 Even though I couldn't take on monsters、 it's very scary and impossible for me if the ghosts approached me。

Though I'm not a weakling but I understood myself neatly。

With the ghosts that have completely went inside the training area、the adventurers started to slice at them。

The bearded man who shouted to us that we should run away a little bit while ago was now swinging a large sword in the battle。

The ghost however flutters eerily in the air and runs away。

While the bearded man was attracting their attention、a woman with a spear thrust at the ghost's back。

Did she kill it、is what we thought but the ghost didn't mind it and proceeded to the bearded man。

The woman with a spear was shocked that it didn't even respond to her attack。

「It's useless、it won't be effective if the weapon doesn't have magical power ! 」

With the bearded man's shout、one giant man with a large shield has been touched by the fingernail of the ghost。The eerie violet colored nail pierced through the shield without any resistance like as if it was paper and the belly of the giant was skewered。

The ghost threw the giant as it is and soared to the skies where the bearded man's large sword won't reach。

Neither a hand nor a foot of any adventurer could reach the ghost that went up even with a weapon。

However at that place、several arrows of light came flying。

It was a magic attack spell that the shrine maiden shot out。
On the training area、there was a shrine maiden that was residing in there for emergencies。

The ghosts who received those attack screamed painfully and went down。

Further there、a tornado of roaring flames overcame the ghosts。
It was the best move of Ristia who possessed the holy sword of flame。

They were caught up with the tornado of roaring flames as they raised a more eerie shriek further。

「Did they kill it?」

Someone from the adventurers asked that。

「Don't let your guards down ! Ghosts won't die with just that」

Ristia that arrived to the front warned them。 According to Ristia's warning, there was no signs that the ghosts were dying though they were suffering and writhing in pain。

「Those who don't have any weapons with magic power should retreat for now。 The ones injured should please fall back to the place where the shrine maiden is and receive treatment」

Ristia is a hero that everyone knows。 No one would hold him in derision even if he's just a small boy and four adventurers who didn't have any weapons with magic power obediently fell back。

They carried the giant guy whose belly was pierced a while ago and went to the place in the back where the shrine maiden was in。

「Hero-sama、 can you defeat those fellows in case of your holy sword?」

「It's really hard if since I can't cut it up into pieces。 If I can drive the magical power of the holy sword directly inside of their body then I could probably defeat them」

「In other words、 it would be good if you can pierce the sword and kill them by jamming the magical power inside of them」

(TLN: This sounded so erotic that I forgot about the protagonist's gayness)

After the bearded man and Ristia had a short strategy meeting、 they began their move。

Starting with the ghosts that tries to run away to the sky、 with Ristia and the shrine maiden's magic attacks and 3 of the adventurers with weapons who have magical power will ambush the ones that fell to the ground

The attention of the ghosts were focused on Ristia who possessed the strong holy sword、 as the adventurers kept on wounding them。

When the ghosts would take of their attention from Ristia and to attack the persistent ones、 There in shall Ristia attack with all of his best。

The ghosts would panic and run away to the sky。

The ghosts and the Ristia's offense and defense battle extended over a long time。

We could do nothing but watch their appearance and keeping or breaths from the preparation building。

On the way、 2 adventurers had a serious injury and the Shrine maiden's magic power is exhausted too。

When Ristia and the bearded man and some adventurers were the only ones left、 Ristia's brides stood up。

「We also have weapons with magical power too」

The slim and beautiful Serisu-sama hanged out her sword、 Neimi with her single edged sword、 Slatton with his long sword held with both his hands and behind them is the magician Kurishio。 They ran to where Ristia is in a pinch and joined the battle。

The situation has been recovered。

Slatton and the others who fought together with Ristia up to now has shown their cooperation which was several steps away from the cooperation of the adventurers and Ristia who was in a pinch a while ago is now driving the ghosts out。

The subjugation of the ghosts still took time。 Ristia would pierce the ghosts and magical power was driven into them while they did this over and over until it was noon。

Ristia who eliminated the ghosts exhausted his strength as he sat down with a rough breathing。

His brides also sat since they used up all of their strength。

The shouts of joy went up from the preparation building。 The voices of praise for the adventurers and Ristia came out。

Though Ristia answered to those shouts of joy by raising his hand、 he shortly

after that slept on the ground in a “大” like position。

Though we were worried if he was alright but it seems like he's just really tired。

Serisu-sama rested his head on her lap and she gave a signal which says that he's fine。

With that of course、we flew our boos of envy from him receiving a lap rest。

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Chapter 4: Encounter

「Ernea, if you're free then go to the Forest of Dragons and get some things that looks like it can be used as firewood」

That was said to me and that's why early in the morning, I was driven out of our house by Mom。

The dill that our house uses for cooking is very important for a not so affluent house like ours。 Though we could substitute it with a flame attributed magic stone if we put out a bit of money but our family believes that using too much money isn't good so we just use firewood instead。

If we pick up firewood then we won't need to use money。

And we could pick up a dozen of firewood in the Forest of Dragons。

The Forest of Dragons。

It was a very wide forest that already existed even longer than the Amuado Kingdom was found。 If you would ask how big it is then from the entrance of the forest which is spread out in the south part of the king's capital then it would take someone of the least 30 days to reach the lake of the forest。

Since it would take 60 days until one would reach the capital city of the neighboring country Yorutenitosu Kingdom then it would be half of that。 Though it would take time when traveling inside the forest of course but still, everyone understands that the size of the forest is in-measurable。

And then somewhere in the forest of dragons, is where a legendary ancient dragon lives。

I don't know what kind of legend is it since no one has ever encountered that dragon so that's why no one knows why is it called that way。

The forest of dragons is strictly managed by the kingdom and even just cutting up a single small tree was prohibited。

However、the people were free to collect the twigs from a fallen dead tree。The people could also pick an abundant amount of fruits too and it was a perfect hunting grounds for hunters too since no monsters didn't appear there at all。

It would only take me a single minute to arrive at the forest from the district that I lived in。Though round trips would take me 2 minutes but since this can be used as training for my legs but would I be able to immediately collect firewood when I enter the forest so I'll just go back when it becomes afternoon。

Today is a holiday。I feel that my stamina has gotten stronger because of the practice battle arts I go to everyday so I carried the firewood basket on my back as I enthusiastically used my strength even for a bit。

Incidentally、Ristia was absent yesterday at school。Ristia who used up all of his Magical power in the battle against the ghosts seems to have become tired and laid himself in his bed for a long time。

Magical power is necessary for using magic、Sorcery needs Holy power and when they use it until nothing is left then it seems like the user's body will remarkably weaken。

The weakened body would easily contract illnesses & there are some who would be asleep for several days afterwards too。

Though I didn't listen to it in the seat study since I'm a person who doesn't have any magical power but it seems to be an important story for those who posses magical power。

By the way、holy power would only stay on a baptized shrine maiden。Since holy power is a fragment of the power of the Goddess who created this world then if it isn't a trained shrine maiden then would the holy power not be able to stay in her body?

Therefore, the men who are priests don't have any holy power so they can't also use sorcery。

Since the one who created this world is a Goddess after all then men might not be suited for it。

It seems like a shrine maiden like Ruiseine doesn't even understand it even if I

asked her。

It was a very mysterious thing。

I passed through the large gate south of the king capital's main street while thinking of this and that as I crossed over the wide fields and entered the forest of dragons。

Since I can't give a clear declaration on which part I was in the forest of Dragons but it seems like I've already entered the forest if the trees that surrounded me has increased gradually is what I feel。

Since this side of the forest is already in direct control of the kingdom、from the people who don't hold any fields of harvesting up to the people who are obstructing the way into the forest are there too。

In short、no one actually knows where the entrance of the forest is located。Even the kingdom's officials are not sure of it too。

I lowered my waist in the shade of a handy tree with broad leaves & took a rest for a bit。Since I've walked for a long time from my house up to here then I have considerably became tired。

However、this seems to be good for training my physical strength。

Since we always need firewood anyways the this is also an acceptable work for me after school。

The season is still a bit early for summer even when spring has already ended is what the season for today is。

I kept walking while sweating on my whole body & then the chilly wind was still a bit pleasant for me。

I drank the water in my flash 3 times & stood up afterwards。

Since I only had a light breakfast so I felt a bit hungry but if I entered the forest a bit then I just planned on eating some of the fruits inside & so I entered the forest some more。

The number of trees has increased bit by bit & the branches of all kinds of trees has formed a green ceiling。

The scenery of the the sunshine filtering through the leaves which was tenderly illuminating the grounds of the forest had a purity in which you would ask yourself if this really was a place that is near the king's capital。

I looked up at the trees while wondering if there were some fruits & looked at the ground if there were branches that we could use as firewood while advancing inside the forest bit by bit。

Since everyone can indeed see the entrance of the forest immediately、I didn't mind where my eyes were taking me。
Well、since that is true then I would be alright。

I decided to go inside a bit more with that。

Since I felt that my physical strength is increasing by just walking、I pulled out the sword that I bought within the past days & practiced while walking。

Since I felt that the sword that I borrowed in the school was a bit heavy for me so I picked a slender but light weight thing。I purchased it with the money that my parents were saving up & I used the money I saved up too to buy a bit more high quality weapon。

(TLN: This is actually a good but wasted investment since the strength of the MC = the money the parents will obtain)

I swing my sword left & right。When I swing my in both the upper and lower row、I had already forgotten about picking up firewood and was in a crazy appearance of slashing my sword。

(TLN: What a weeb....Though I do that too with my Assassin's creed Cane blade too...it's fun!...kill me)

When my stomach began to grumble loudly、I recalled the original purpose for this trip of mine at last。

I just noticed that I'm fairly in the depths of the forest。

The green ceiling was thick & the trees stood close to each other which made it very narrow。

The ground was a bit damp and a lot of branches have fallen on it。Though those couldn't be used as firewood immediately but I only had to make it dry。I decided to collect some firewood in this area。

However、ahead of that。

I buoyantly sat on a moss that seems to be soft & opened the lunch box that

my mother gave me。

Eating my lunch here would be far quicker than looking for fruits here。

When I opened the wrapper of the boxed lunch、there were 2 Rye breads that I ate in the morning too & there were 2 slices of cheese too while there were a small bits of meat in the small container。

Let's eat。

When I gave a prayer of thanks to my mother、I began to eat my lunch。

Though the meals of our not affluent household was simple but our table is always brilliant with my mother's tricky ways of making good food。

These bread and cheese were home made too。I knew that the bits of meat were from last evening's food。

The soft meat that I put in my mouth melted instantly。

The richness of the cheese which also had a compatibility with the bread in which the salty had a bit of an effect with having no bit of fault。

I subdued everything at once & drank the last containing water in my flask for 2 times。

(TLN: This feels so gay....blame Souma series for making me sexualizing food)

At the place where I moderately satisfied my stomach、I took some firewood。

Since I planned on returning home in the afternoon in reality、I was now fairly late。

While I was gathering firewood in a hurry、I suddenly felt the sign of something。

This also happened when I was practicing in the Ruins exploration last time but my perception is really sharp huh。

I raised myself & observed my surroundings。

Trees and weeds that have overly grown。There were moss in places。Even if the foilage of the forest shuts out the sunlight、a small bits of light still wrapped the forest so it wasn't dark。

Was it just my imagination? As I tried to restart in picking up firewood。

At that time。

(TLN: [Ernea: “I realized I’m gay for Ristia”] AHAHAHAHAHAHAA)

Something moved in the corner of my view。

What might it be。I couldn’t see anything even if I faced that direction。

My body stiffens because of the tension。

When I pulled out the sword on my waist、I observed my surroundings with vigilance。

This place is the forest of dragons。I don’t know but monsters don’t come out in this place。

Then、what was that thing that I saw a while ago。

In my mind、the appearance of the ghosts that suddenly appeared in the training area crossed my mind。

My whole body began to sweat as my knees began to shake。

(TLN: This is a horror novel?)

No no、that can’t be true。Ghosts would only seldom to go out。It’s not a ghost。

Then、what on the meow was that。

Is it a thief?

Even if this is the outskirts of the king’s capital、it isn’t impossible for thieves to be gone。

What should I do、I didn’t bring any money。The only things I had were damp firewood and an average sword。

Zawari。 **(TLN: sounds of leaves moving)**

Though I was watching where the thing moved、I turned around in a panic because I felt a commotion in the back of the forest。

And then。

I screamed and ran away。

At the time that I turned around、there was a large gray wolf。

(TLN: Maybe it just wants to be your friend? 10/10 would hug ♥)

It went behind me before I even noticed as it opened it’s large mouth which he

was planning to swallow me whole。

My field of vision was wrapped in fear。

I lashed at my knees who was looking like it was going to crumble & desperately ran away。

With the trees that were being an obstacle、I bent to the left and bent to the right。

I ran away。

My foot was caught up in a root of a tree however & I fell down。

When I timidly turned around、the large wolf was calmly running after me。

Why isn't there a sound of it's footsteps while it's running?
Since there were no footsteps、Did i not notice it?
I had no time to be thinking about that right now。

I stood up in a panic & ran away。

I couldn't continue breathing。I overworked my feet and it now hurts。My sides were in pain。I couldn't care about those things however。I ran from place to place in the forest。

That thing is a demon beast。I'm not wrong with that。

I was relieved that no monsters would come out in the forest of dragons。It's true that monsters don't come out in here but I wasn't sure if ghosts and thieves would also not come out in here。Demon beast may be loitering around here too was a thing in the corner of my mind that I haven't thought about。

Though that thing is following me but it wasn't attacking me。I'm sure that running after me is just playing around for it。
I couldn't stop running however。I'm sure that when I stop running、it will get tired of playing around and eat me。

I faced a crisis in my life for the first time & felt that I would go mad in fear。

I was scared too when we were attacked by demons in the ruins。I was also scared too when the Ghosts came out in the training area。However、I had a sense of security too。Since there was Hero Ristia on our side。We would surely

be saved since he was there。 Since he was there then we had nothing to fear。

However、 Ristia wasn't on my side right now。 There was no one。

I felt real fear for the first time、 I felt the importance of my own life & for the first time、 I sincerely wished for the Goddess-sama to save me。

My feet tangled from reaching it's limit。

I fell down and I'm sure that I'll be a goner afterwards。

My left leg stumbled。 I desperately put out my right leg。

However, my feet reached their limits and I couldn't put any strength in them & I miserably fell down again。

I unconsciously looked at my rear side。

I couldn't stop looking。

The large wolf demon beast had a complacent smile as it satisfyingly bended as it opened it's mouth filled with thick sharp fangs & it tried to attack me。

My knees fell from exceeding it's limit and I broke a fall。

My sight became white。

Did I die?

I could see the movement of the demon wolf become slow。

It's eerie red mouth slowly approached。

At that time、 the ground that had crumbled fell down。

I seem to have fallen from the edge of a precipice。

The shock of the crumbling edges broke & I was dropped unto the cliff。

The demon beast shut it's mouth immediately but it couldn't reach me。

I fell in the cliff of a steep slope and came down rolling。

(TLN: Demon beast wolves see me rollin', They hatin')

My whole body was getting severely knocked over & I lost consciousness from the pain。

(TLN: He's dead, guys. The End. No more gay stuff. Go away now xD)

There was a deep and cool but old fragrant as I slightly recovered my consciousness。

I gradually woke up next by the smell and taste of blood like a rusting iron in my mouth & the acute pain of running around returned to my whole body。

The first thing that I saw when I opened my heavy eyelids was a beautiful carpet of green moss。

I sank my body in the carpet of a deep moss。

On the tip of my view、I couldn't find the cliff that I have fallen from & gigantic trees stood close together to which I can't find out what ages where those trees were。

I wonder where this place is。

While I was thinking so、I wondered what happened to the demon beast、as I recalled the crisis of my life a while ago。

I made efforts to my body who wouldn't move because of the pain by force and I stood up。

When I got up、I observed my surroundings。

Why is it that I couldn't find the cliff that I fell from?

I was in a place where all sides were possible to be opened。Every place had a deep moss that grew from below thickly in an open place and old trees were surrounding us。

I looked up at the sky and got surprised。There was a large old tree and it's branches that greatly expanded became an umbrella for the whole place。Even if how much I looked at it hardly、I couldn't see the top of the gigantic tree。

(TLN: So is this the japanese novel version of Jack and the beanstalk? Erneakun and the beanstalk!)

I was fascinated by the divine feeling of the large tree。

I unconsciously opened my mouth and widened my eyes at the tree。

Each one of the branches were much fatter than the surrounding old trees。 For such a huge and divine tree to be in this forest、 I didn't know of this。 I haven't heard about this to begin with。

Though the Gigantic tree became an umbrella with it's branches for the whole wide place、 There was a trunk in that place。 Far away、 I could see a large fat trunk that I can think that it's already not a tree anymore。

And when I lowered my view as it is、 I have seen it。

At the center of the plaza。

There was a mound in there。

I thought that it was just a mound when I saw it for the first time。

However、 I was wrong。

The beautiful green moss overgrew there in abundance & at the center of the gigantic tree's branch which was being used as an umbrella for the whole plaza、 There was a huge Dragon。

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Chapter 5: Dancing on the nest of the Large Old Dragon

It was a large dragon that I thought was a hill for a moment。

Its whole body is covered with glossily dark scales & ahead of its limbs is where its wings were rooted、it's mane、while lacquer black hair surrounded it's large mouth。

Though its wings were heavily shut with its posture that was like it was groveling in the ground but it was still really big when I'm still looking at it afar。Its tail is long as it even reached the center of the plaza's moss at the end。

I landed on my bottom。

Fear has passed over me。

Possibly、this might be the thing they call despair。

With it's staring eyes that shone with the color of gold、I couldn't take away my eyes from its direction。

The huge dragon quietly looked at me。

I also couldn't look away from its golden eyes。

With its shining pupils、I remembered what fear is and I understood what despair is。I held fear before long as I felt a deep wisdom on its eyes。

The gigantic dragon and I watched each other。

However, before I knew it、I didn't feel any fear for this huge dragon anymore。What might this be。For instance, it's like when I'm with my grandfather、I felt

awe and a sense of security。 I was a bit nervous but I wasn't scared。
I was wrapped up in a mysterious sense。

Then、 the mouth of the huge dragon slightly opened。

「It is unusual for a human to come here。 How much have thine strayed off, child.」

EHHHHHHHHHHH ! The dragon spoke。
I voiced that out but the sound had low power。

To my surprise、 the huge dragon narrowed its eyes。

「Well, if thine live a long time then thine'll probably learn words too」

UWOHHHHH ! My mind was read。

「Guwahahahaha、 I can easily read human's minds」

The huge dragon opened its mouth and laughed。

「Are you not scared of one's own、 child of the humans」

The huge dragon opened its mouth and threatened me。

But what must this be。 I couldn't feel any fear for this Huge dragon after all。
Well、 I still fell to my bottom and is remaining in sitting。

And I recalled it。

Somewhere inside the forest of dragons、 an Ancient old dragon was living in there。

This large dragon before me、 is this the legendary ancient old dragon in the legend?

「Now then、 Though my own personally do not know what that legend was pertaining to but thine are not incorrect in saying that my own is the chief of this forest」

My mind has been read yet again。
When I made my eyes stagger、 the huge dragon found it strange and it narrowed its eyes and looked at me。

Are-areee。 Why can I understand that it's finding me amusing when it just

narrowed its eyes。

「Now then、lost child of the humans。Whay have thine come here?」

The huge dragon said that as it raised its long neck and looked down upon me。

I just kept aghast at its size。

「One's own is the dragon that is protecting this forest。The role of protecting the spirit woods from disaster in which has been given to one's own even before the ancient times。Thou、art thine a person that shall cause misfortune to this forest?」

The huge dragon from the low voice of a gentle old man changed into a voice that was filled with dignity as it stared at me with a sharp glance。

The huge dragon that I was looking up at、though I thought that it was an existence that I couldn't feel fear even when it's this big but that was a big mistake。

I didn't think that the I was an insect for the huge dragon。That's why it shouldn't even be threatening me & he shouldn't be vigilant with me。However, it was just looking at me like I was a small insect that seemed to be interesting。

Therefore I too、didn't get too much excited on the reality of this overwhelming existence & I didn't feel any fear anymore。

However originally、it was different。

It lived with long years & it was a huge dragon of the legend that kept defending this forest of dragons by it's large wisdom that humans couldn't reach。An Ancient dragon。

The huge dragon considered me as an intruder & it tried to see through me if I was an evil that would bring misfortune to this forest。

I was overwhelmed and hardened stood there while being unable to blink for once。

When I was being attacked by the demon beast。I ran away and nearly went mad from fear

In other words、I still had my thinking mind which was telling me to run away

even if it's scary。

That however、was a small thing for the huge dragon。

I didn't have any choices。

I couldn't fear it nor run away from it。

However、I was just an absolutely small existence that was waiting for this one's judgement。

If the huge dragon has judge me to be evil、I didn't have any piece of choice that I can find in this world。

Ahh、I'm just a single boy that is yearning for the Hero Ristia。I shall someday obtain a wonderful weapon & I would become a person that everyone will envy and admire。

Would my parents worry about me who has gone to the forest of dragons and hasn't come back? Even if our home wasn't affluent but my mother would always love me with all her strength。My father works hard and returns late to support me and my mother。

Would I make my own parents cry for me。

I noticed it before I was aware of it、I was crying。

(TLN: Manly tears, bruh! That was a great monologue! I really like MCs who care about their parents who are working hard for them)

The huge dragon brought its large face to me。It was close to me in the level where its lacquer black beard is touching the tips of my nose。

If the huge dragon just opens it's mouth for a bit then I would be easily swallowed by it。

「Do one's own frighten thine、child of the humans」

You frighten me。However, making my parents cry is the most painful thing for me。

(TLN: *Slowly claps*)

「Are thine more worried about thine mother and father than thine own body?」

I cannot repay anything for my parent's kindness as for me。I have received

their love as they raised me。 Yet for me to not be able to return anything to them and just die off while making them cry、 my heart unbearably tightened。
(TLN: L(・o・)」 such awesome monologue)

「Does thine wish for fame and a high position」

I didn't want neither fame or any high position。 I want to be like Ristia who is loved,praised, envied & became a target of hope for everyone。

(TLN: Can't count this as gay, bruh)

I want a lot of brides too is what I stupidly thought as I smiled while still crying。

The huge dragon stared at me for a while silently。

I didn't remove my sight from the eyes of the huge dragon either。

Gazing at each other、 time passed like it was paralyzed as it passed by for a long time。

The huge dragon pulled it's long neck away from me and put it on the foreleg that was lying down。

「Kukukuku、 though thine said that you might die in your mind but for you to think of wanting a bride。 There is a limit for being weird」

The huge dragon shook of the atmosphere with it's large laughter that was rumbling the ground。 The surrounding old trees resonated as it shakes。

「Thine are amusing。 One's own shalt afford thine an opportunity。 If thine can attract one's own interest then thine's hopes will be granted。 However、 if one own has realized that thine is just a child of a human then thine likely already understands, correct?」

As it says so、 the huge dragon greatly opened its mouth and raised a roar like thunder。

The ground trembled and the branches of the large tree in the heavens shook this time。

I flinched up to my soul。

My hopes。

A bride whose breasts would bounce and shake。

(TLN: YES, YEP)

Why is it that that was the first one that floated in my mind。

The huge dragon laughed。

「One's own is amazed at thine's foolishness。 Now、 Show something to one's own that shall take one's own interest」

The huge dragon says so as it didn't move a bit and waited for me。

A thing that would take a huge dragon's interest。

What the meow might that be。

The huge dragon had defended this forest and has been in here for a long time。
If that is so then would it be interested in stories from the outside world?

Wait Wait。 The huge dragon called me a person after all。 This huge dragon might think of the human's history and life to be the same as an insect's trivial life。

Then what do I have?

I didn't have any wisdom of the world or any new defensive technology for this forest。

Is what I was thinking but I just noticed it right now but I didn't even say anything at all。

When I just needed to think so I can react to the words of the huge dragon then it wasn't necessary for me to speak since it would just read my mind
I'm sure that these desperate worries are also being transmitted to it。

Even if I spun my words many times、 my thoughts would still be seen through。
Then that means that I can't get the interest of the huge dragon with knowledge and words。

Would the small person like me be able to attract this huge dragon's interest。
But if I didn't do it then I wouldn't be able to survive。

If I'm able to get the interest of the huge dragon then rewards shall be awaiting for me。

I worried and suffered。

Isn't the anything?

When I glanced downwards, I dropped the sword that I was playing around with a while ago. It was the blade that I bought with my money the other day which was a small slim sword.

At that time, I thought about it.

Though the huge dragon doesn't think that I'm at the level of a worm but it laughed at my foolishness. If it laughed at it then that means that shouldn't I do something that would stir up its emotion.

I picked up the average sword and took it out of its sheath. The pain that I took from falling off the cliff ran through my body.

Is the Huge dragon thinking that I would attack it. It wouldn't do that. Since there's no meaning in doing that. A weapon that humans made wouldn't even be able to hurt a child dragon much less this huge dragon.

I had the average sword in my right hand and I raised both of my hands high up.

I saw it the other day.

A thing that can shake someone's mind.

My impression of it might not fade away for all of my life.

The huge dragon would also laugh. Then it'll surely be impressed.

Since I've also been impressed then the huge dragon would be impressed too.

I thought like that. I recalled it.

I danced the dance that I saw the other day at the play.

Though I'm not a beautiful dancing princess. I'm just mimicking what I saw. The dance that would give a burning feeling in someone's heart, I displayed it wholeheartedly.

Though my ears couldn't hear any drums nor flutes but it resounded inside my mind.

If it can read my mind then the music in my mind would also flow to it and it would be able to listen to it。

I overworked my aching body and managed to finish dancing the first part。

I continued to dance again。

The speed of the orchestra in my mind went up and I matched my dancing speed with it。

The second part ended。

I danced the third part。

I was absorbed into it。

I chased the appearance of the dancing princess as I danced。

However、it was really impossible for me to perform it as my foot got tangled and I fell down。

Have I also forgot to breathe too is what I thought as I desperately catch my breath and eased my pained heart。

The huge dragon didn't move。

My version of the dance after all can't impress it。

However、I felt refreshed。I did what I had to do。

Even if my heart was in pain from me being short of breath & my feet who became numb while my whole body who was in pain from falling from the cliff felt pleasant。

I threw myself in the carpet of moss with a position like the大 character。

Eat me, step on me, crush me or do anything you want to do。

I got myself ready & stared at the huge dragon。

It was my one last resistance at the least。

The huge dragon met my eyes、and。

「THAT WAS A VERY FOOLISH AND SHITTY DANCE HUH ! 」

The huge dragon said that and began to laugh。

(TLN: I gotta agree kakakakakakaka)

I was overcome by surprise and got stupefied。

Did my dance reflect to the huge dragon as something funny is what I was wondering while the ground trembled as the huge dragon laughed。

What might this be。 I have become very sad。
Even though I desperately danced to make it become moved into tears but did it reflect as a comedy act to the huge dragon?
Everything had become trivial somehow so I just looked up at the sky。

Ahead of the branches of the gigantic tree that was being used as an umbrella、 the color of the sky has fairly changed to the color of the evening。

「Though one's own has lived for 2000 years but this is the first time that one's own has seen such a foolish dance」

How much of a fool am I?
A sigh came out。

「However, well、 thine's desperation has been transmitted to one's own enough」

The dragon says that as it pushed me to the tip of its nose。

What are you doing、 standing up with that irresponsible feelings、 there was a big face of a huge dragon in my presence。

「Thine is a very interesting child of the humans。 Except for that interesting part of thine since you fulfilled one's own part then shall this one's own overlook thine with some conditions」

The huge dragon said that as it laughed alone。

Conditions ?
What kind of conditions might that be。
Well however、 anything is good as long as I survive。

「Ohh、 have thine acknowledge it too。 then it is all right」

The huge dragon reads my mind as usual。

「It's nothing、 the conditions is an easy thing。 Thine just has to go here everyday and thine just have to be one's own companion since one's own is

free」

Wha？

Going here everyday？

Companion for killing time？

Is such a thing alright？

I was astonished and looked at the huge dragon。

「That is right、that is just it。Isn't it easy。However、when thine doesn't go here with a useless reason then one's own shall ravage the ground and chase thine until one's own has eaten thine」

Hahaha、The tiny boy of the human family's life is being aimed by an ancient dragon of the legends。It's really an unbalanced relationship at all。

「In other words、that's when I would pretend to agree with the conditions and run away huh」

I for the first time、gave forth my words。

The huge dragon hear my voice for the first time and it seems like the huge dragon thought of something for a while and continued。

「That is right。The contract with dragons are absolute。If thine recklessly break it、be self conscious that not only thine but the whole human race shall be the enemy of all dragons」

Wha-wha、WHAT DID YOU SAY！

That is....Though I wasn't planning on breaking my promise but if I threw away the contract with this huge dragon、would the relationship between the dragons and the humans get deteriorated。This has become an unexpectedly big and important talk。

「Now then、what shall you do、child of the humans」

The huge dragon awaits my answer。

I would survive if I accepted the conditions。However, if I defy the contract with the huge dragon then the relationship of the humans and dragons would deteriorate。The Amuado Kingdom that has a relationship with the dragons in the south、it would surely be erased if I deteriorate the relationship between the humans and the dragons。But if I don't accept the conditions then I would

completely die。

「Thine is thinking of thine's country huh、child of the humans。 Shall you obediently accept death then?」

With the question of the huge dragon、 I determined my answer。

「I accept the conditions。 I shall go here everyday」

I declared with a loud voice。

I didn't have to worry。 I didn't want to die too。 I'm conscious that I'm a person who won't break a promise I made and coming here won't become an obstacle in my life。

School is only in the morning & I also decided to go to the forest everyday to train my stamina and collect some firewood。

Ah、 however。

When I think about it、 how can I get to here。

In the kingdom's capital、 I haven't heard anything about a large tree in the middle of a forest an a large mound of moss and a hill like dragon too。 I also haven't seen this large tree from anytime to begin with。

Even if I tried to recall how I got here、 I was just frantically running away from the demon beast that was chasing me & I don't understand how I got here from falling of a cliff。 I don't even remember which way I went to & I couldn't even find the cliff that I fell from。

Arearee、 so going here everyday is actually quite difficult huh。 So if I got to go here another time then do I have to do that again?

I thought of it fairly & my face became pale。

Aaahhh、 what should I do。 Is this a place that I can't go even if I want to go here? My personality of not violating any promises I made is unrelated since I couldn't reach this place。 That bastard kid didn't go here is what it would say and I would be eaten alive and the relationship of the dragons and the humans would deteriorate。

AAAAHHHHHH ! I'm sorry, my king。 People of the kingdom。 Every human in the world。

What should I do What should I do?

When I became all flustered up、did the huge dragon find my thoughts funny again as it made the old trees shake from its laughter yet again。

「Gahaha、thine should not worry。One's own shall permit thine to go here。If thine walks into the forest appropriately then thine shall be able to reach this place。In the first place, this place has a barrier that protects it which makes it impossible for anyone to come here。This is a sanctuary that only those one's own permits can only enter」

In other words、this forest is like the lost forest where the long eared tribe live wherein any one who was recognized would be able to reach their destination but anyone other than that would get lost。

「That is exactly true」

To my thoughts、the huge dragon nodded。

「Thine shall protect thine's promise then thine shall be able to enter this forest。If thine does so then thine shall notice that thine shall be able to reach this plaza」

Indeed、If that is so then I would be able to go here everyday。I stroked my chest and felt relieved。

「What should I do for going back to my house?」

So going here has no problem。Then how about going home。Do I have to go out of this plaza of moss and walk my way back home?

「It would take time for thine to come here。Then one's own shall send thine home」

Will the huge dragon send me home、I see。

.....when I imagined that scene、I started to panic。

A huge dragon would dash out from the forest while carrying me & soar the skies until it gets to my house in the kingdom's capital。

If a huge dragon suddenly comes out of the forest out of nowhere and flies to the kingdom's capital then the kingdom would be in the state of chaos。

Wha-wha-wha、what should I do?

(TLN: That would be fine with me...That would be one hell of an awesome ride.)

「Kakakaka、Thine really is interesting」

The huge dragon laughed at me and knocked out heaps of stuff as it looked at me。

This is not something to laugh about。

「Thine should not worry。One's own has a perfect method to get thine home。It is so、This day has already grown dark。Fix thine's posture as one's own shall send thine home immediately」

Though I'm worrying if that method of it is really perfect but I fixed my posture in front of the face of the huge dragon like what it said unto me。

Though I tried to fix my posture but pain ran through my body as my knees failed me yet again。

This hurts hurts hurts hurts。Incidentally, my whole body was hit when I fell of from the cliff as it is now full of scratches and bruises。Though I forgot about the pain when I was desperately dancing but I had an awfully lot of pain right now。

(TLN: RyuHou is a DANCE NOVEL!)

「One's won sees it、do your wounds hurt?」

(TLN: No it doesn't)

The huge dragon looked down upon me who was having a painfully distorted face。It thinks for a moment & put me near the tip of its nose。

「Today was a very interesting & amusing day。Then one's own shall cure those wounds of thine's」

With the words of the huge dragon、I was surprised and amazed。
Would the Ancient Old Dragon of the legend that lives in this forest cure my wounds? I've become very honored of this fact。

(TLN: This is one of my favorite parts by the way)

However、that deeply moved impression of mine was cruelly smashed。

「HAAAACCCHHHHOOOOOOOOOOOOOOO ! ! 」

The huge dragon suddenly sneezed。

A large amount of snot overflowed from its nose & the flood of its snot assaulted me. Because of the muddy stream of its snot and the blast of its mouth, I was washed away up to the old trees at the end of the plaza.

How filthy.

(TLN: Franku-senpai would be pleased b0ss)

I pushed my way while being muddled in the snot & I somehow managed to return to the plaza of moss.

「Wh-wh, why the meow did you do this?」

Even if how much you say that you're a legendary Ancient Old dragon but I still sounded my voice of protest.

「Kakakaka, Thine doesn't have to worry with just that, child of the humans. Look at it, has not thine's pain from thine whole body disappeared」

When the Huge dragon said that, I became startled. The pain in my whole body disappeared. All my wounds disappeared when I looked at it and my body became very healthy.

「One's own nasal mucus is versatile」

(TLN: Would you apply the snot of a dragon on you if that would cure your cancer and your ugliness? I would. I just wouldn't breathe or smell it and just imagine it's petroleum jelly)

The huge dragon was grinning as it laughed.

An all purpose snot huh.....It was a very filthy thanks for me. Though I heard that eating the heart of a dragon would give you immortality or turning the scales of a dragon into powder would cure any disease but I haven't heard of a dragon's snot to be an all purpose panacea.

「Fufun, Why would one be able to become an immortal from just eating a dragon's heart. The versatile nasal mucus is one of my special characteristics」

Though the huge dragon proudly says it but I was just thinking that it was just filthy.

「Now then, One's own shall now send thine home. Fix thine posture in front of one's own」

Though the huge dragon's mood wasn't hurt by my thoughts, it called for me again。

I who became perfectly fine ran to the huge dragon and fixed my posture。

I wonder on how it shall send me home?

In front of me who is watching it, the golden pupils of the dragon began to shine。

Then, a pile of shining golden complex magic formations surrounded me。

I was astonished。

It was a dragon art that the dragons use。 It was a multi story type moreover。 I is a super advance type of magic that the magic of the humans couldn't even reach with the tips of their feet。

I was inside of being impressed and surprised as I was wrapped in a golden pillar of light。 I shut my eyes from its too much dazzling light。

When the light calmed down & I opened my eyes, I was already standing on the place that I've gotten used to seeing。

It was the backyard of my home in the kingdom's capital。 I was in front of the back door that was connected to the kitchen。

That was awesome。 It was a space teleportation magic。 It was an art of the legends that would only come out from the make believe stories。 I shed tears from the impression that remained。

And I also cried for a different meaning。

My clothes were filthy and ragged。 The thing that my mother told me to collect and the slim sword that I just purchased has been left in the plaza of moss。

We Live in Dragon's Peak - Chapter 6

Chapter 6: Garden of the Spirit Tree

The Goddess-sama of creation created a large continent。A lot of races were born in that continent and those has prospered。The races who didn't have any limit in number、were given 2 truths。The humans got hope and miracles。The Goddess gave the humans hope and taught them to believe in miracles。

And I right now、am sincerely wishing for a hope and miracle to happen from the bottom of my heart。

「AAaaaaahhhhhh ! Hellppppppp meeeeeeeeeee ! 」

I am being chased by a large gray demon beast wolf & is now running from place to place in the forest of dragons。

At the next day when I'm going to meet the Huge Dragon、I entered the forest of dragons according to the promise to meet the Huge Dragon again。If I entered and walked appropriately then I would be able to reach that plaza of moss is what it taught to me。

However、I quickly met the demon beast when I entered the forest and will be arriving soon。

It was necessary for me to think。I from yesterday was also attacked my a demon beast in the forest of dragons。If I thought about it carefully then I should have expected that this guy was still here in this forest。

I didn't hear of any story that a demon beast would come out of the forest of dragons at this morning today nor did anything come out about a demon beast being subjugated in the newspaper。

But I encountered it yesterday and it is now attacking me today。

With this, before I even reach the plaza of moss、I would be killed by this

demon beast。

Continuing from yesterday、I'm desperately running away again。

I deliriously ran on the ground that wasn't getting maintained and was rough。 Though the demon beast's footsteps couldn't be heard but I could understand where it was from it's presence。

I would be killed if I halted。 Even if that guy gets tired then it would just urge to dash and eat me alive。 It was chasing me with a constant distance which was him playing at me。

But I can do nothing but run right now。 The moment that I won't run would be the time that I would get killed。

Ah、Goddess-sama of creation。

I have hopes that I would be able run away from it and I noticed that I was already inside the plaza of moss is the miracle that I believe in。

SO JUST SAVE ME ALREADY !

Well、why did the Goddess-sama even create such a dangerous thing like this Demon beast? If the things like this or demons or the god men were here to oppress the humans then wouldn't our lives always be in peril?

Is it because I cursed the Goddess-sama with words that my feet got caught up again and I magnificently fell down。

It's not like the edge of a cliff like yesterday、I tripped on the roots of the tree trunk right now。

My knees was severely nailed and I was in agony as my face distorted in pain。

And when I turned around、the large gray demon beast wolf gave off an eerie satisfied smile as it approached me。

I had to run。

Though I tried to stand up but my legs got shaky as I fell flat in the ground。

The demon beast wolf catch up on me as it raised its frontal legs。

It shook and lowered it。

I covered my face with both my hands and shut my eyes hard。

I'm going to die !

I hardened my whole body。 Both of my hands covered my face。 My pupils were strongly shut。

I'm finished、 is what I thought。

Time flowed as it is。

Arearee、 Nothing is happening。

I timidly opened my eyes。

At the opening of my both hands、 I saw a beautiful emerald green world。 A green carpet that extends to everywhere。 Old trees everywhere which was standing close to each other。

Thus、 at the center of the green carpet of the plaza、 there was a single hill。

If you noticed、 I was in the place I was yesterday。

The hill、 The huge dragon in other words opened its golden eyes as it quietly stared at me。

It was the usual glossy scales、 Lacquer black body hair & a long tail。

I returned home yesterday & I went to school in the morning today。 I actually thought that yesterday might have been just a dream but when I see this spectacle with my eyes again、 it was really real as I reconfirmed it。

「Ouch」

While I was rubbing my knees that got grazed、 I walked to where the Huge Dragon was at。

「Continuing from yesterday、 thine has been injured yet again huh。 Thine really is energetic」

The Huge Dragon said that as it narrowed its eyes。
I'm sure that its thinking that I'm such an amusing guy while looking at me。

「Kukuku。 Here、 The thing inside that jar over there、 thine can use it to cure your wounds」

The direction on which the Huge Dragon's gaze pointed to、 there was a jar

filled with something of a liquid, an arranged pile of firewood and a lot of fruits that were arranged too。

How was this made? In the plaza of moss yesterday、there was no one except the Huge Dragon here。

When I tilted my head a bit、The Huge Dragon supplemented an explanation。

「Yesterday、Thine has likely come to the forest to pick up firewood。For the reward of being one's own companion、The collecting of firewood has been done as a proxy of thine。In exchange for that、amuse one's own time fully」

Since taking me home for an instant would be using the art of space teleportation、is it saying that I should be its companion during the whole long time?

I consented at that。

I reached the place where the luggage was at last。
I cured my wounds with the contents of the jar and thus、I felt an unpleasant premonition for a bit。

Inside the jar was a transparent and sticky liquid。

(TLN: Yuck ahahahaha (^ ▽ ^))

Don't tell me that this is。

「One's own nasal mucus is versatile」

The Huge Dragon greatly laughed as it said that。The old trees in the surrounding always trembled every time its laughter would resonate。
It is versatile yet filthy as it urged me to use it。I know that it was filthy so I had no choice but to use it to cure my wounds reluctantly as it looked at me and was thinking that I was amusing。

「Do not be shy」

I'm not being shy, I'm hesitating here。

I thrust one of my hand inside the jar reluctantly & the snot or I'll just call it the versatile liquid、is what I took and applied it on the wound on my knees。
I only had to use it since I didn't have any choice huh。Since denying the kindness of the Huge Dragon would offend it and that would be the end of it all。

The versatile snot panacea had a feeling like an ointment used by coating it。 However, the effects of this is superior after all as the wounds that I applied it on a while ago had already disappeared。

「I-, I'm truly thankful for this」

I made a cramped smile as I said my thanks。

「To that extent, thine doesn't have to worry。 If thine liked it then one's own shall permit you to taking it home」

(TLN: Free Versatile Panacea[Nasal mucus] for everyone. Just contact your local MISSERE MEOW for detail on how to get your FREE VERSATILE PANACEA)

Though I'm not sure if it is gentle or annoying but it seems like the Huge Dragon doesn't have an unpleasant feeling for me at least。

「If thine has already recovered, then it would be alright for thine to come to my presence」

I was urged and I obediently went in front of the face of the Huge Dragon where it was lying down。

If you looked at it calm and closely, it had a very dignified facial features。 A very large big head。 If it opened its mouth then a human or a giant would be eaten whole from its largeness。 The skin which didn't have any scales were also lacquer black。 Its beard was beautifully long and was also lacquer black。 And the beautiful golden dragon eyes of it were filled with wisdom as one would be drawn in by just looking at it。

「Now then, before we go to our fun time, let us not forget to introduce ourselves mutually。 It is a bit ticklish if thine would always call one's own as Huge Dragon」

The Huge Dragon concealed it's dignified voice & it has talked to me with a good nature old man like voice。

「Fumu, Should one's own say one's own first of all。 One's own is the Dragon who has protecting the Spirit Tree for 2000 years。 One's own name is called Sleigstar。 One's own is an Ancient Old Dragon that has defeated over 10,000 God men and has ruined an uncountable amount of demons」

(TLN: I am the translator of this site. My name is Missere meow. I have read

over 738 visual novels and currently translating 3 web novel series. I also suck at names like Sleigstar....idk if that's right)

Is the Spirit Tree the gigantic tree over there that has its branches used as an umbrella and a ceiling for the whole plaza of moss?

The Ancient dragon who named himself Sleigstar has been here & protecting that Spirit Tree for a very long time。

What might be that tree that has been called the Spirit Tree。 And、 though he said that he has continued to defend this for 2000 years but I wasn't sure if that time was long or short for dragons。 If you would think about it in the humans perspective then 2000 years would feel like an eternity where you would even see it on a history book though but for the dragons who would live for a very long time than the humans then would it be just an instant moment for them? The average longevity of a human is 50 years。 I was sure that the God men and the demons had 500 years。 It was said by the teacher on the seat study。 Since the people who had lived long said that the Dragon men lived for about 200 years then are dragons like that too?

「Kakaka。 Indeed、 Thine seems to have a bit of knowledge there」

He read my thoughts as usual as the Huge Dragon said that。

「Certainly、 a normal dragon would live for about 300 years。 Another hundreds of years would be added if those would also get more knowledge and power」

Then that means that they won't even live for a long time of 1000 years? If that's the case、 then the talk of having protected this forest for 2000 years is actually an amazing story?

「So thine has finally understood it。 One's own is an Ancient kind within the dragons。 Normal dragons are like seed or a splinter of wood to one's own」

Ohh、 is he treating normal dragons like they're small fries。 It was too great that I took my time in understanding it。

「One's own had lived well for 2000 years however。 But one's own shall have someone to take over one's own sooner or later」

When the Huge Dragon said that、 he showed an expression that was looking at the far distance。

Was 2000 years very long even for an Ancient dragon kind? For its longevity to be near that then he might already be an old aged dragon。

「That is correct、I have already lived long for the Ancient dragon kind」

For him to continue on defending this forest even if he was now an old aged dragon、how amazing was that。I looked at the old aged dragon with respect。

「Fufun。Even though it is very short but it would be a very long life for thine huh?」

Indeed。It really feels different from the short longevity of a human after all。As expected of the Huge Dragon of the legends。The Ancient Old aged Dragon。

「There aren't any gigantic appearance of a dragon like one's own。Being called Old aged dragon might not be bad as of now。However、one's own has already named oneself with great pains。It is alright for thine to call one's own name」

He said that his name was Sleigstar。Then it would be Old Sleigstar it is。With my thoughts、Old Sleigstar was satisfied as he narrowed his eyes。

「Grandpa、and what is that Spirit Tree?」

「Ooooh、thine has called my name in thine's mind but for thine to call me grandpa with thine's words」

Old Sleigstar got disappointed and dropped his head。
I did it。I was satisfied as I silenced the Huge dragon of the legends。
Nevertheless、Old Sleigstar's body looked really large and strong from afar and I knew my standpoint that I would get killed if I ruined his mood for a bit but I didn't feel scared for a bit。Maybe it's because he's too amazing that I felt to confused?

(TLN: I wanna call him Grandpa too...I want a Grandpa like Old Sleigstar too dammit)

「Thine cannot hurt one's own now。If one's own would change one's own mood very often then one's own wouldn't be fit for protecting this place」

Indeed、a weird enemy might be able to defeat him if he would be a moody creature。

「Well now then、the spirit tree huh。Well、it is a gigantic tree that can reach

the heavens as you can see。 A similar tree like this can also be seen in various places in the world and all of it are usually protected by Ancient dragons。 For what is the Spirit tree, thine would grow very old before understanding it。 Thine should just think of it as a large tree for now」

So the ancient dragons were protectors of the large tree huh。 I bet that this tree has a great amount of history。 If I would grow old before I understand it then I'll just look forward to it。

「Now then、 Thine must introduce thine self next」
(TLN: I'll do it. His name is Ernea and he is GAY. Please help him by giving him a waifu.)

Old Sleigstar says that as his gold pupils shined as if he was interested and looked at me。

Eehh、 so Old Sleigstar's introduction has already ended huh。 Didn't he just roughly said his name。

Well it's probably fine、 I'll just ask him about the 2000 years of him protecting this forest。 I'm really interested in it as a boy。

For the time being、 my self introduction is the priority right now。

「I'm called Ernea・Isu。 I was born and grew up in the capital of the kingdom of Amuado。 I am now commuting at the school in the capital of the kingdom & am now training for the first day of spring next year's journey」

Yep。 The thing about a 15 year old journey and the thing about the kingdom should be neatly spoken so it would be transmitted to him。

From my worries however、 Old Sleigstar nodded as if he understood。

「So that's the country that the elder brother of the twins founded huh。 And the old custom he left is still being done huh」

He apparently knew of my journey。 He also spoke as if he personally knew the king of Amuado who founded that country。

Aah、 is that so。 If he had protected this forest for 2000 years already then it wouldn't be strange for him to know of the happening of 300 years when this country was founded。

「Correct. The one that exterminated the Rotten dragon king with those two was one's own」

It's like, he just said something like it's a small but amazing thing. I'm sure that it was just my imagination.

The play that me and Ristia saw from last time, the thing about the twin founding kings defeating the Rotten Dragon king.

The rotten dragon is a dragon that wasn't able to die from pain or its malice as its body would rot and they would lose their selves to agony and become ferocious which was the worst kind of demon beast.

At the region of the capital of the kingdom of the old times, it was ruined by the rotten dragon king and it was the place where even the dragons have deserted. That is where the twin founding kings of Amuado and Yorutenitosu came and defeated the Rotten Dragon king wherein the reward of the Dragons and the dragon men for those two were the plots of land where the kingdoms have started.

However, The play neither showed the Dragons, dragon men nor Old Sleigstar in the subjugation part.

「Fumu-Fumu, certainly. We wouldn't go out of the legends passed down by the humans. However, the ones who would write down the history would change it for their own convenience」

In other words, the person who wrote the history of the how the kingdom was founded, did they intentionally erase the fact that the dragons and the dragon men were there too. How cruel of a thing is that.

「Kakaka. So thine thinks that it is cruel huh」

Old Sleigstar looked at me like I said an extremely strange thing.

「For us to not be written down in history, that is mutually convenient for both sides. The Rotten Dragon king is from the carelessness of us dragons. It is a dishonor for us when we defeated it not by ourselves. For us to borrow the help of humans then it would be better for the history written that the humans were the one who defeated it. And since it was the human's own power that the land that was laid in waste by the Rotten Dragon king has revived then it would be easy to collect more humans in that place. Our interests was only mutually

unified & that is why the written history is like that」

Have I just learned an unexpectedly new truth? The palpitation of my heart became intense。

In other words、even though the history written right now is different、the relationship of the dragons and the humans was acknowledged and became a fabrication。

When the historians learns of this fact then won't they all throw away the history book in the library。

「Telling it to others is futile」

Though Old Sleigstar pierced his nails but I couldn't say it of course。No one would believe me even if I said so。

「Now then、Tell other things about thine self」

Even if I satisfied his desire for knowledge、Old Sleigstar still urged me to talk about interesting things。

「Uhm。Yeah Yeah、then I'll talk a bit more about next years journey on the first day of spring」

Though he already knew of the old custom of the journey but this is a thing called an old cutom huh。Though I think that it's in wrecks now。

「When one becomes 15 years old then for 1 year、it is necessary for them to leave their hometown。Though I really wanted to spend that one year as an adventurer but I'm utterly bad at fighting」

Saying that myself is embarrassing since I'm a boy too。

「To gain physical strength for myself first of all、I thought that I should commute to this place and collect firewood。But I was attacked by a wolf like demon beast on my first day and the place I ran to was this place」

「HouHou、a wolf demon beast huh」

「Yes。That guy moreover、attacked me again today」

I remembered that thing that happened a while ago and an unpleasant sweat came out of my whole body。

「So thine has been attacked today too huh。Fumufumu」

Old Sleigstar is happily listening to me。

「Uhm、if you ask me why I want to become an adventurer」

Is this still my self introduction?、is what I thought as I just talked about what hit my mind was my current state。

「Before my departure、though I'm attending school at the morning to train myself in seat studying and practicing battle with weapons but a student in my class、there is a hero」

「Hero?」

「Yes。A hero that was chosen by the Holy sword of Flame。Probably、the previous owner was the founding king of Amuado kingdom」

「I see、did that sword with a strong magical power remain at this present age as a holy sword」

Old Sleigstar seems to know about the holy sword too。However, he called it a sword with a great amount of magical power than a holy sword but isn't that to be expected of an ancient kind of a dragon。

Other than that、I trembled at the thought that I knew the true nature of the holy sword。

A magical powered sword is a sword that humans made while covering it with magical power。The swords that the demons put magical power into is a demonic blade、the blades that the god men put their god power into is called a holy sword or simply as a divine blade。

In other words、the holy sword was made by a human so it is a magical powered sword。

I impressionistically thought that the holy sword was named that way to be said as an existence that would exceed any understanding。

「Guahahahahaha、have one's own taught thine something that would give you a shocked like face。One's own called that a magical powered sword but it having a lot of magical power is not wrong。It has the best performance in all existing magical swords。Nevertheless。That sword was passed down to what it wanted and not his descendants huh」

Old Sleigstar is deeply thinking。

「Yes。Hero Ristia has a great amounts of talent and he is a person I yearn for」

「Houhou、thine yearns for him huh。 And thus、 Does thine yearn to become like that Ristia or do thine yearn for that holy sword。 Or maybe thine yearn to become a person who holds the holy sword」

When Old Sleigstar pointed it out、 I got startled。
If you say it、 what was I accurately yearning for? Was I yearning for the Holy sword? A weapon that could slice demons and ghosts with peerless skill and power which was a beautiful weapon。 Or else、 was it the person who possesses it、 to become a special existence like that person? Did I yearn for superiority that everyone wanted?

No、 that is not so。 I clearly decided it in my mind。

「I yearned for the single boy named Ristia。 He is very smart and excelled in battle arts too。 He was equally gentle to everyone and he is more courageous than anyone is the Ristia that I yearn for」

(TLN: GAY! *Coughs up blood*.....Dammit...need...heroine.....right.....now.....too....gay.....)

That is so。 I envied Ristia who could use the holy sword and I was envious that he had many brides。 However、 when Ristia treated me in a kind way then I respected him and wanted to become like him。

What weapon he has was unrelated。 I wanted to become a person that will not think if it's to my advantage and will just help any person in need。 I want to become a man that will not hesitate to help someone in need。 Smiling every time、 I want everyone that was near me to be smiling。

Ristia who made those things happen、 is what I yearned to be。

「I understand、 Thine wants to become an existence for everyone、 is what you desire」

Old Sleigstar deeply nodded & looked at me。

「One's own eyes has not gone mad after all。 Then from now onward、 One's own shall teach thine how to gain strength」

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Chapter 7: The Land's flow

What is the power that is worthy for me to get? With me that has a question mark floating in my head, Old Sleigstar urged me to just sit temporarily. I remained as what he said as I sat in front of Old Sleigstar.

I wonder what I'm gonna be doing from now on? Old Sleigstar was thinking of something, I didn't understand what I'll be trying to do so I become worried as I looked up at him.

Old Sleigstar silently watched over me with his pupils of gold.

「Fumu, Thine is wavering from uneasiness huh. Believe in one's own first then silence thine mind & do as one's own says」

It's not like I don't believe you or anything. It's just that, I'm just uneasy when I can't see what was ahead of me as expected. I wish you would teach me what I'm gonna be doing up to that extent. Though while I was thinking so, I calmed down my heart & mind. However, how could I settle down my heart & mind? Since I don't usually do that then I'd be having strange thoughts right now.

「Assume an comfortable posture & slowly close thine eyes」

I remained as what he said & closed my eyes. My vision became totally black. Would he bite at me if I shut my eyes but what am I worrying about as of this late moment.

If Old Sleigstar wanted to do that then it would only take a moment before I opened my eyes and run away.

「Hey hey, don't think of strange things. Make your thoughts into nothing & feel the world」

Oh shit、my thoughts was read。

For him to say the I should feel the world、what did he mean by that? Though I don't completely understand it but I should temporarily stop my useless thinking。

I in the dark closed world、I tried to feel the world。

Since everything was dark because my eyes were closed、I couldn't feel any presence to say nothing of the world。But just like what he said nevertheless、I silenced my heart and mind as I continued to meditate。

When I closed my eyes like this for a long long time、a various number of my senses sharpened up。

I felt like I was flowing with the gentle breeze in the plaza of moss。
The scent of the old trees were included in the wind as it reached my nose and calmed my heart and mind。
The old trees would shake matched by the wind and some leaves would brush off me as it sounded off a gentle tune。

On my immediate side、I could hear the deep and calm breathing of Old Sleigstar。Even though he was a Huge dragon that was like a hill、his breath was more gentle and silent than the wind as it was just natural for it to be like that。I head a faint sound。At the vicinity of the forefoot of Old Sleigstar。I profoundly stretched out in the center of the plaza of moss、Though I thought that it only moved from the neck but did its body unexpectedly move? Since I couldn't see it with my big body、I couldn't notice its small movements up to now。

Inside the forest of old trees、I could hear the cry of an animal。Because it was said that this was a sacred place、I didn't think that anything was here excluding the Huge Dragon but I unexpectedly heard the cry of an animal near this place。

I could hear the chirping of a small bird。Inside the forest of old trees。And from over my head too。I could hear the flapping wings of a flying bird。
Aah、from a far away high position、I could hear the faint chirping of birds。Did it stay in the branches of the Spirit Tree?

At the overhead of the far far place farther than the old trees、I could hear the swaying of all kinds of trees。I slowly swayed with the wind。

I couldn't hear it nor see it, a tree that was far bigger than the Huge Dragon that was like a hill。

If I noticed it, I was already facing at the consciousness of the Spirit tree and has meditated for a long time。

「Just now, Did thine see the Spirit Tree?」

With a small voice that would not disturb my meditation, Old Sleigstar said that。

I couldn't see it。 Since my eyes are closed。 However, why could I vividly catch what was overhead of the branches of the Spirit Tree?

「The Spirit Tree has far more stronger vitality than any of us。 It is to the extent of seizing it with thine eyes and feeling it with thine soul」

Certainly, I could feel something strong in it。 Though I couldn't completely understand its true form。

「Now then, if thine could see the leaves and branches of the Spirit Tree then look at the trunk like that

I was somehow able to see it。

I first felt the branches and leaves。 I traced over that as I turned my consciousness to the trunk of the Spirit Tree that existed on the edge of the plaza of moss。

(TLN: Trace....ON)

It was at the very far edge of the plaza。 At the tip of the forest of old trees, I thought that I was seeing a mountain that was hugely stood up perpendicularly。 No, it wasn't a mountain, that was the trunk of the Spirit Tree。 It was the Spirit Tree which was awfully exceedingly wide as its main body was overflowing with vitality power。

Mysteriously, The Spirit Tree that was far away from me felt like it was near me。

And then, when I was able to see the large tree that was filled with vitality power but it was like it was powerfully sucking up something from the earth itself as I noticed a vitality that shone furthermore than the tree。

「Hohou、were thine able to feel the dragon pulse from thine first day?」
(TLN: The protag of Maou no Hajimekata has Dragon pulse too right? Maybe this protag will overcome his gayness by raping adventurers too?)

I heard the voice of Old Sleigstar like it was filled with admiration。

「Even with the case of Dragon men、that is a stage where they would need to train for years。Now then、follow that dragon pulse and feel the world」

The Spirit Tree is sucking up something from the earth、it seems like it is called dragon pulse。

I turned my consciousness this time to the thing that was being sucked up by the Spirit Tree。

What on the meow is dragon pulse? For the dragon men to be able to see it after years of training、I couldn't believe that I could be able to see it by just meditating for a moment。

Isn't he mistaken on something? Old Sleigstar doesn't seem to be wrong however。

Anyways、I turned my consciousness to that something that was being sucked up by the Spirit Tree。

I thought that it was water at first。The tree would suck up water as its food and grow up。

However、it felt like it was different。

I could feel an overwhelming power from it more than water。

Underneath the ground of the Spirit Tree、something was being suckep up from the roots deeply and widely。

Something that overflows with power、it was spread out like an ocean。Nope、it wasn't an ocean。It was very large & though I thought like it was like an ocean at first but I was wrong。It wasn't an ocean but a large river。

A loud undulation was raised as a large river like thing flow with overwhelming power。

It was the place continuing previously from where the Spirit Tree stood at as it passed under the plaza of moss and continued inside the forest of old trees again。

The branches of the main stream would be infinite if I would trace it as the large river infinitely stretched over all of the ground。

I was astonished on its large scale and overwhelming power。

It turned and twisted as it powerfully flow which made it look like the trunk and the dragon were like swimming in the sky。

「What thine are feeling right now is the life of the world。 A power that can fill the continent all over。 Spirit pulse。 The dragons would call it Dragon pulse」

I slowly sunk and was crowded in my mind from the words of Old Sleigstar。 For the world、 did such an overwhelming power like this overflow。

I didn't notice it up to now。 No、 no one from the humans has noticed this up to now。 Even for the Dragon men、 he said that they wouldn't be able to see this if they didn't train。

However、 why was I able to see it?

(TLN: Because....you....are....GAY!)

When I turned my consciousness to Old Sleigstar、 I understood that Old Sleigstar was slowly & silently breathing while sucking up the dragon pulse。

「Beasts & insects、 Human。 Plants also have life too of course。 The earth is like that too、 the world also has life。 However、 noticing that is difficult。 Since it is too large」

Though it was already at our side from when we were given birth to but it was too big for us to feel it。 It became a fact for us to not be able to feel it then it became a fact that if we couldn't see or feel it then it doesn't exist huh。

I couldn't understand it at all。

With my thoughts、 Old Sleigstar wryly smiled。

「It is quite a difficult story。 First of all、 being able to feel the dragon pulse is the first step」

Old Sleigstar says that in a reassured manner as he fetched a deep breath。

「As it is for a while、 it will be good for then to keep on feeling the dragon pulse」

As he said that to me, I kept turning my consciousness at the dragon pulse. Though I could easily capture the existence of the Spirit Tree but If I didn't keep on deeply meditating on the dragon pulse then I would immediately lose sight of it.

It's truly mysterious as it's power is quite larger than the Huge Dragon Old Sleigstar & the Spirit Tree.

How much should I meditate on it? I felt like a long time has already passed even though I didn't know how much time has passed but it felt like time was getting shorter.

My idle thoughts have increased as it gradually became more difficult to keep on meditating & it became impossible for me to easily feel the dragon pulse proportionally.

I gave up and stopped meditating.

Ahead of my glance, Old Sleigstar had a face like he was proud as he looked down on me.

「Thine has done well for thine first day」

「Is it because I could feel the dragon pulse?」

「Correct. Though one's own said this a while ago, that is a position that the dragon men would finally reach at last after many years of training. Since this place is near to the Spirit Tree, even if thine would say that the main stream is below this ground here, one's own didn't think that thine would be able to feel it with just a single day」

Is that so. It's like I've become guilty of becoming something great.

「Guahahaha, When thine was able to cross over the barrier of this sacred place, thine has already accomplished an amazing feat」

If one would see it then that might be so. No one can go here in reality. Even if they were able to come here then they might get eaten by Old Sleigstar.

Though Old Sleigstar is here to protect the Spirit Tree but no one has intruded to this place excluding me after all.

「Of course there are. Though people like thine who would get lost and come here aren't usual but other ones who came to this forest with ill intents for the

start would get cut up afterwards」

Is that so, but that is so. Though since the Spirit tree is here then that indeed might be so, there might also be people who would try to cut up the trees in the forest of dragons which was prohibited and other people might be bad too.

While thinking so, my glance suddenly went to the forefoot of Old Sleigstar.

Incidentally, I also felt his forefoot move when I was meditating. Did I only have to say his right hand? Ahead of that finger, the root of the fingernail sank a bit & it bled.

「Ah, Your finger got injured previously. What happened?」

I was surprised. Old Sleigstar was this Forest of Dragon's legendary Huge Dragon. He was an Old aged Ancient dragon kind. He was now injured and it's bleeding.

Did he fight an intruder after all & did he get injured?.

「Yep, this one?」

Old Sleigstar moved his finger a bit.
Doesn't it hurt?
Other than that, how much was it's strength to be able to pierce through his scales and make it sink.

「Thine should not worry about this wound」

He was a bit embarrassed as Old Sleigstar deceived me.
Was it dishonorable to get injured like that? I felt that I shouldn't press onward on this topic.
If you are wounded then you only had to cover it with your versatile nasal mucus.

「This wound, Well, it would stay like this for an hour」

Old Sleigstar floated a wry smile.
It's a dishonorable wound after all and it felt like he would just leave it as it is because of his self-reproaching.
Though I was a bit curious on who was the one who inflicted that wound on Old Sleigstar but it didn't disappear after 1 hour.

「Alright Alright、The time of meditation has already ended。There's still time remaining for today。Let one's self teach thine how to dance」

「EH?」

I was not able to understand the words of Old Sleigstar。

He's gonna teach me how to dance? With what?

「Thine dance is hopeless。One's own shall teach you one's own dance。There is a manly dance for a man」

(TLN: How to turn a gay into a man by Old Sleigstar-sensei: Lesson # 2; Teach the target a MANLY DANCE)

What is happening? Am I going to be a dancer? I was bewildered by the thing that I wasn't expecting。

「From among the collected firewood、it would be good for thine to pick up a handy two branches」

While I didn't conceal my confusion、I still moved towards the place where the collected firewood were。

At the corner of the plaza of moss、there were a lot of firewood and fruits。

Why would I use the branch of a tree to practice a dance?

Ah、yesterday incidentally、I left my average slim sword at this place。
Not the tree branch but where was my sword?
I looked at the surroundings of the firewood and the fruits & looked at the plaza。

However、I couldn't find the average sword that I dropped。

「Aah、One's own has thrown that poor looking sword」

Wha-wha、WHAT DID YOU SAYYYYYY!

That was the sword that I finally bought with the money that my parents saved up and my pocket money。Though it is true that a sword like that would be dull for dragons but that thing was an important thing to me。

「Hahaha、Thine shouldn't worry about those stuff」

I should be worrying about it。

I started to cry even if I was at an age where I shouldn't be。

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Chapter 8: The Dragon Princess with a blunt weapon

I am a foolish child。

When I heard Old Sleigstar tell me about teaching me to dance & after I received his light coaching, I arrived on my way back。

When I brought the collected firewood and fruits home, my mother was extremely pleased。 However, after I told them that I lost the sword that I just bought with great pains as I received the fist of my cruelly angry father that just got home。

The truth is that it was thrown away by Old Sleigstar but it's impossible for me to say such a thing huh。

Yeah yeah。 The sanctuary of the forest of dragons, the huge dragon Old Sleigstar & the matter of the Spirit Tree was to be kept a secret as I severely pushed those thoughts in my mind。 I'm sure that it's a secret that I couldn't even say to the Hero Ristia。

Next day at school, of course I went to school。
I haven't practiced my sword on that day however but I passed time with Kurishio and the others in the battle arts practice of magic。

To the fact that I who didn't have any magical power abandoned fencing, not only the teachers or the retired knights of the kingdom who came here to teach us but the other students looked at me with their eyes full of pity that it hurts。

Though Ristia got really worried for me but I just sat on the corner of the training area and started my meditating practice since I couldn't explain to him of the reasons I had。

(TLN: YAOI DENIED! Since Best girl's aura can be felt from beneath this

chapter)

「In thine school、do not practice your fencing but just continue meditating and feel the dragon pulse」

According to the words of Old Sleigstar、I meditated。

If one would look at it from the surroundings、I would look like an easily hurt child who stopped practicing battle arts and was meaninglessly meditating as I spent my every day life being seen as a foolish child。

However、I myself was conscious that my meditation training is important。Because I could feel the dragon pulse when I meditate in the garden of moss but I couldn't feel the dragon pulse no matter how I meditated outside the forest。According to Old Sleigstar、it was easy to feel the dragon pulse inside the plaza of moss since it was a special place where the main stream was just right below it。But since I would be away from the main stream if I went outside the forest、I wouldn't be able to feel it if I don't greatly persist on it。

At the present、I was training to be able to feel the dragon pulse even if I was outside the plaza of moss。

I meditated every day I went to school as I continued to train on feeling the dragon pulse。I would hurriedly go towards the forest on the afternoon as I would go to the place where Old Sleigstar is and I would meditate after all。I also received the dance instructions & that was how I spent my everyday life。

My evaluation in the school became a foolish child completely。The people who wanted to pair with me to practice in the ruins was all gone。However、Ristia wanted to help at first。The next one was Kurishio。The magic teachers and the magic students has gradually became interested in my profound meditation。

My every day life in the plaza of moss too、I felt the sense of fulfillment。When I became able to clearly feel the dragon pulse、I moved into the training of pouring the power of the dragon pulse into me。This is terribly difficult。

In a sense、it was like taking a part that I would only need in a raging rapids of a

large lake with only using a bamboo ladle。

If I would shallowly put the bamboo ladle in the raging rapids then it would recoil and I wouldn't be able to get the part I needed。 If I thrust the bamboo ladle in it with my body then I would be taken and would drown。 Even if I thought that I scooped it right、 the bamboo ladle wouldn't be able to endure the swift current and would break。

Though I wasn't able to do it quite but with the advise of Old Sleigstar、 I should grow up bit by bit。

And、 the dance。

I'm wondering why I'm being taught how to dance by a legendary old dragon is a doubt that i just left as it is。

After my meditation practice would be my dance practice with 2 branches until the day grew darker。

(TLN: Resisting to spoil.....AHHH!!!)

By the way、 the firewood and fruits were already prepared when I always went to the plaza of moss。 With that、 though the frequency of being attacked by demon beasts was still as it is、 I'm not sure by but I would always get saved when I would be nearly finished。

Dance。

Old Sleigstar said that there exists a dance for men、 as he enthusiastically guided me everyday。

The angle of the branch & the trajectory of the circle from when I would raise my leg and from the tips of my fingers were taught of like I was drawing something。 Though he wouldn't hold back in rebuking me if I did something wrong but we would also sincerely praise me if I did well。

Little by little by little、 I think that I got better with my dance under the teachings of Old Sleigstar。

By the way、 would I become a dancer as it is right now? Though I had days were I would think of that but I wasn't a dancer's egg but a foolish child。

「Ernea、 3 days from the day after tomorrow、 you'll be practicing how to camp

in the ruins right? Properly prepare for it」

At night of a certain day、my mother pointed out something and I remembered something dreadful。

That was right。I was going to stay at the ruins on the day after tomorrow。I completely forgot about it。

The ruins was the place where we were temporarily blocked by the demons when we came to the ruins for an investigation practice at the first day of summer last time、after the knights of the kingdom and Ristia secured the safety of the ruins、it was liberated once again for school use。

Alternating with the schools from the other districts、we repeated the investigation training and real combat extermination of weak monster。

School shall be at rest temporarily tomorrow and the necessary preparation would be done at that time and we would go to the ruins from the day after tomorrow up till 3 days to practice real camping。

Since I was a foolish child、no one asked me to come with them to practice camping。

Though Ristia told me to be careful、I didn't come with him since I didn't want to be a bother for the people with him as I ended up being alone in camping practice after all。

That became a problem as no one reminded me of it as I forgot it as the days passed and forgot to prepare for it。

(TLN: Meh, Who needs gay heroes and classmates when you have WAIFU!)

This is bad。I have to hurry and prepare tomorrow。

Aah、It would be bad if I didn't tell Old Sleigstar that I wouldn't be able to visit him for 3 days。

Since school is closed tomorrow、I'll tell him in the morning and get ready afterwards。

「Though it would be painful when you won't go to the forest of dragons to pick up fruits and firewood for 3 days but we have no choice huh」

My mother looked disappointed as she shrugged her shoulders。

In the pretext, I was supposed to go to the forest to collect firewood and fruits everyday。

Actually, Old Sleigstar would always prepare it for me when I reached the plaza of moss & I only just had to take it home。

For our household which was not affluent, it looks like the firewood and fruits that I take home would make mama happy。

(TLN: Would mama be happy if you took home a waifu? kukukuku)

Though they got angry and told me not to go to the forest of dragons because I lost my sword there but they couldn't discontinue the presents and smile I would bring home。

I prepared what I could at that night & I decided to finish the other stuff tomorrow。

I was a hurry in going to the forest of dragons the next day。

I'm busy today. I was preparing to re-use the old stuff that my father used in the camping practice. Though I had to inspect if it was still usable since it wasn't used for a long time but if it wasn't usable then I had to repair it or buy a new one。

Food too, it would be bad if I didn't prepare food and drinks for 3 days worth。

Though work might be allotted if the some of the students united in the class but I had to do everything myself since I was alone。

I will tell Old Sleigstar my absence for 3 days then I'd need to hurriedly go back and prepare。

I entered the forest of dragons and wandered。

I'm really troubled that the plaza of moss wasn't a place that you would reach if you think you would be there。

I could reach it if I would be chased by that big demon beast wolf。

That demon beast, it's always ready to ambush me. Since i didn't here anyone that have been damaged other than me by that demon beast, did it not have

any other people to attack?

Anyways, that fellow would run after me if it found me。

However, I couldn't feel it's presence today。

Since I would always go to the forest of dragons in the afternoon, I didn't think that it would be better to go here in the morning than the afternoon。

I wandered inside the forest of dragons with a goal in mind。

I wouldn't get to the plaza of moss if I didn't continue anyways。

What should I do in the 3 days tomorrow & when I indulged in my thoughts like that, the presence of the surroundings changed unexpectedly。

From the presence of the serene early morning forest, it changed to a profound soft air。

I knew that I was lead into the plaza of moss at once by intuition。

When I passed over the fat trunks of the old trees, I reached the plaza of moss at last。

At the center of the plaza, there was a hill like huge dragon which was Old Sleigstar。

Since it was still early in the morning, he seemed to have his eyes closed as he was silently sleeping。

Did I come too early?

Should I not wake up the sleeping Old Sleigstar。

I just quietly walked near Old Sleigstar for the time being。

Shall I surprise him? Though I had a wicked thought for a moment but Old Sleigstar might get surprised and accidentally smash me so that is rejected。

When I reached the middle of the place where I entered the plaza of moss, Old Sleigstar awakened。

「Ouh, One's own was wondering who it was but it taw thine huh。 This is a time that thine doesn't usually come huh」

「Yes, School has temporarily closed for today。 And then, I was going to tell you about the thing tomorrow」

「Houhou」

Old Sleigstar sucks up the early morning breeze with the dragon pulse as he deeply breathed。

「Uhm、the truth is」

***Gasari* (TLN: Sound of leaves moving)**

When I was about to explain the thing about tomorrow。

Ahead from the plaza of moss、a sound came from the forest of old trees & as I turned around。

「Eh?」

(TLN: Ernea: I fell in love and I forgot everything about my gayness with Ristia)

And then I、 my eyes widened at the unexpected spectacle。

There was a person there.

A woman.

A rare beautiful woman。

She had a near silver blond hair that came down to her waist as it shined dazzlingly from the sun's radiant sunlight filtering through the trees。

She had a long and narrow eyes which profoundly glittered like a blue jewel.

Thin yet the corner of her lips seemed to look like it was soft.

Her small face looked delicate and the posture of her body was good。

The Goddess-sama has appeared before me。

I thought of that for a moment.

The woman too, was also surprised as she looked at me.

(TLN: I'm also imagining that she's monologuing on how hot the shota MC's body is)

「Kakaka、For thine to meet each other in such a way like this」

Only Old Sleigstar was happy as he looked at me and the woman.

「Ernea、That is thine bride。Mistral、this person is thine husband」

(TLN: YESSSSSSSSSSSSSSSSSSSSSSS)

「「EHHH?!?」」

Both I and the woman expressed our surprise at the same time。

「King、What might this mean?」

「Grandpa、what did you say just now?」

The woman and I returned a question to him at the same time as we looked at Old Sleigstar。

「Fuhahahahaha。Mistral、Thou art always being troubled about the talks of marriage right? Just at the right moment、go on and marry Ernea。And Ernea、it is thine hopes、the breasts that thine seeks」

「「Haaaaaaaa ! ? 」」

With the outrageous speech of Old Sleigstar、the woman and I voiced out our surprise at the same time again。

Br-、breasts huh.....

Chirari、I looked at the woman named Mistral。

Mistral politely puts down the collected firewood and fruits from her back down on the ground & she rapidly went near Old Sleigstar with a step that made a tremor。

Aaah、perhaps。Was she the one who would collect the firewood and fruits everyday?

However the chest of Mistral-san who was walking angrily and advancing to the bottom of Old Sleigster was。

NONE.....

She was small chested。

「Mumumu、for thine to say small chested。One's own does not understand the sense of value of the chest of the humans。Aren't those good which seems to be isn't。Was it not good if it wasn't large?」

Old Sleigstar groaned as he read my thoughts。

「King、SIT DOWN AT THAT PLACE!」

Mistral-san approached Old Sleigstar with an earth shattering thirst for blood as she reached for the weapon on her waist。

That was。

It was a one handed jet black rod。 At the end of it was a sphere which had frighteningly large amounts of thorns all over it。

Mistral-san raised the one handed rod overhead。

「Wa-、 wait wait wait。 Calm thine self、 Mistral。 Do not act rashly」

Old Sleigstar was panicking。

「Everything you say is USELESS!」

The end of the one handed rod of jet black color began to emit a bluish light palely。

Thus、 Mistral-san shook the one handed rod down at Old Sleigster's fingertip。

While the pale blue light was being pulled out of it、 it hit again。

Following immediately、 the pillar of blue light from the heavens shot at it。

「GYAAAAAAHHHHHHH」

Old Sleigstar screamed。

「For the young lass of the dragon men to do this、 what are thine trying to do to one's own!」

Though Old Sleigstar was threatening Mistral-san、 it didn't have any power at all when his face was in tears。

Did she get satisfied with that blow、 Mistral-san returned the one handed rod on her waist and ignored Old Sleigstar。

The tip of the finger of Old Sleigstar sank & was bleeding。

Ah、 was it similar from the injury from the last time、 so that means that Mistral-san was the one who attacked him a while back。

Other than that、 for the legendary Huge dragon to get injured by just one attack、 how frightening is this person。 What a frightening technique that was。

While I was coldly sweating、 Mistral-san gazed at me with cold eyes。

「Br-、breasts are just a hindrance.」

Her face was red with various meanings as Mistral-san walked to me right next。

Ah、I'm having a terribly dangerous feeling about this。

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Chapter 9: The Dragon Princess and the Dragon King

While Mistral-san was hiding her breasts that couldn't shake with one hand, she approached me while her face was bright red.

(TLN: Truly best girl)

Ah, the danger of my life is approaching

For her attack she could injure an Ancient Dragon kind, I didn't have anything to defend against that。

I was pushed by Mistral-san's aura as I fell on my bottom。

And thus, the Deva king Mistral-san was before my eyes。

Though she wasn't holding the frightening one handed rod but she greatly raised her right hand。

「Uwawawa, please spare me」

I begged Mistral-san's forgiveness while prostrating。

I'm sorry for thinking that you're small chested. I apologize for desiring to obtain a bride that would have a bouncy chest. So please spare me。

Other than that, wasn't Old Sleigstar the one who is at fault for reading my thoughts and speaking it out loud。

Kuuu, for me to get misfortune from another person's doing。

I who was prostrating。

Mistral's fist of punishment。

It didn't befall unto me even if I waited。

When I timidly raised my face, Mistral-san's right hand was still raised up

high。

I prostrated again while in a panic。

「You're sorry for?」

「I-i-i-、I'm sorry」

I desperately apologized。

If you would forgive me、I will do anything you want。Therefore please forgive me。Please spare me。

(TLN: Those are dangerous words yar saying there, Ernea.....You might get a femdom shotacon doujin with those words & it's a bit perfect since Mistral seems to be an S)

With my sincere apology、Mistral-san finally let out a sigh and forgave me before long。

「Good grief、you and the old man are already forgiven.....」

Though she was grumbling a bit、Mistral-san left my presence。

「Because of that。You'll be giving us a neat explanation right、Old man?」

Mistral-san beckoned me as she moved beside the place where Old Sleigstar was。

「You must also come here。You'll be troubled to be rolled up in this old man's pranks too」

Aside from being a trouble、I've done as she said as I moved next to Mistral-san。

「Fumu。Even if One's own explains it again、it was just as what one's own said a while ago」

Old Sleigstar was averting his gaze however。

Mistral-san silently unsheathed her one handed rod。

「Alright Alright、one's own understands。One's own really understands now so just put away that dangerous blunt weapon already」

Even for an Ancient dragon kind as expected、was he also scared of the one handed rod of Mistral-san huh。With Old Sleigstar panicking、Then one's own

shall give an explanation、 is what he said as Mistral-san approached him。

When I'm watching these two、 I can't see a huge dragon and a human but a grandfather playing a prank on his grand-daughter。

「Fumu、 if thine feels that we have a relationship like a grandfather and his grandchild then that might be right」

Old Sleigstar read my thoughts and answered。

「Mistral is a person of one's own clan in my protection。 All members of the people are one's own grandchildren or otherwise she is like that kind of person」
「Though I don't have any blood connection with this old man」

Uhm。 He is the Huge dragon in the legends that is protecting the forest of dragons。 Her clan is being protected by that Ancient old dragon。 And a little while ago、 Old Sleigstar said that she was a Dragonian。

She's not a human in other words、 so is she a Dragonian who were living in the west part of the Dragon's peak?

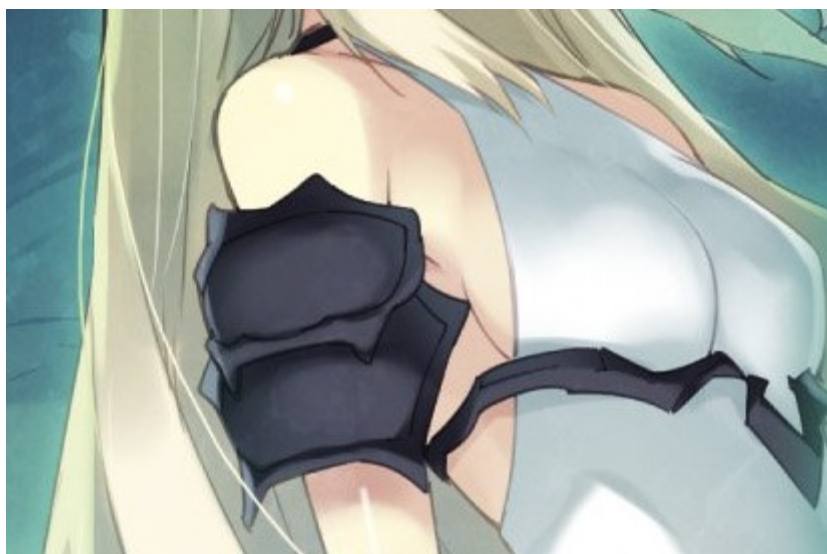
I looked over Mistral who was standing with a good posture。

She had the appearance of a human without anything strange。 Other than she was taller than me and she didn't have breasts but such a thing is trivial。

Yes、 it didn't matter。

Compared with her beauty、 everything seemed to didn't matter。

(TLN: Le insert Mistral's SMALL breasts that doesn't matter



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With her beauty, I was charmed by Mistral-san。

When she blushed at my glances, Mistral-san felt a bit shy。

「Mistral is the representative of her clan that comes here to look after me on the behalf of her clan」

「Since this place is a sacred area, only a person limited in my clan is allowed to visit here. I am looking after this old man as of the present」

I see. Old Sleigstar is the one who is protecting Mistral-san's clan and a person of that clan would take care of him in return。

The firewood and fruits that were being given to me everyday were being collected by the care taker Mistral-san huh。

Then that's right. If a gigantic figure like Old Sleigstar enters the forest then it would be impossible for him to collect those tiny firewood and fruits with his large body。

It wasn't necessary for me to express my gratitude to Old Sleigstar but Mistral-san should be the one I should be thanking. Thank you。

「Fufun, Mistral is a very able person. Thine and her age are near. Thine and her would surely become a good husband and wife」

Old Sleigstar is reading my thoughts as usual。

「Please don't talk to each other by just reading his thoughts. You too, be careful on not getting your thoughts simply get read」

She looked at both Old Sleigstar and me as she said that.
For her to tell me to be careful on not getting my thoughts read, how would I be able to do that?

「Anyways. For him and me to understand it, please explain it CA•RE•FUL•LY alright?」

To Mistral-san's aura, Old Sleigstar hang his head. It's like, this Ancient old dragon's dignity disappears when in front of Mistral-san。

「Hmm. That's really troublesome」
「The one being troubled is him and me」
「Uhm, yes. I'm troubled.....am I?」

For me to have a lovely woman like Mistral-san as my bride、 that would fulfill my wishes somehow。

However、 it was certain that we were surprised by the sudden explosive statement of it。

「Mistral、 Thou have become a Dragon Princess。 From now on、 Thine shall have a hard time in marriage proposals and power struggles between clans and tribes so thine shall not be able to move。 One's own fears that the power thine has obtained as a Dragon Princess shall become hazy」

Incidentaly、 Old Sleigstar said that Mistral-san is a Dragon Princess huh。 Does it mean that she is the Princess of the Dragonians? In other words、 it means that she is the daughter of the head of their clan。

Was a question mark floating above me? Mistral-san supplemented an answer。

「Dragon Princess is a title。 That's so、 it is the same as the ones you humans have like Hero and knight」

Was it a title that would be given to someone who has great power or great achievements?

「A Dragon Princess is a female who has surpassed the power of a Dragon King in the Dragonian family」

With Old Sleigstar's supplement、 my eyes were looking shocked。
Why is it that the princess is stronger than the king?

「In the past、 Only the title Dragon king existed in the Dragonians。 At a certain time however、 because a wife of a certain Dragon king was more powerful and had more achievements than him、 a new title was born」

「That is、 was the title Dragon Empress or Dragon Queen not good enough?」

Since she was the wife of a Dragon king、 though that would make it look more fitting。

「Fumu。 That is a bit too gloomy。 The word princess suits it better」

Hey。 Was the one who gave birth to that new title really Old Sleigstar?

「Kakaka。 Anyone can do it if it is just creating it。 The ones who has the

authority to make new titles are only a few。 Therefore the title Dragon Princess that One's self has made has that much of an effect」

「The ones who have been awarded the title of Dragon Princess were the one who could rule over Dragon Kings and are given to them by this old man。 Though the Dragon King title also has a moderate necessity of power and achievements but exceeding that、 The title of Dragon Princess is an absolute symbol for the Dragonians。 That is why for who would be able to marry the unmarried Dragon Princess、 it would become a extremely troublesome commotion within the tribes」

Mistral-san who said that sighed deeply。 She really looks like she's truly troubled by it。

And Dragon King is just a title in the end so that means that just being a Dragon king doesn't mean you're a king of the dragonians。

Each tribe lived somewhere in the Dragon's peak as for the Dragonians and the patriarch is the one who is settling up the clan。 That is what I recalled from the lesson of my teacher in the seat study。

「With the fighting of the tribes with one another、 one's own had been fed up with that。 With that、 thou had appeared」

Old Sleigstar changed his glance from Mistral-san to me。

「One's own has promised thine。 If thine could attract one's own interest、 thine desire shall be granted by one's own」

I'm certain that that was what he said at first。
However、 I thought that my desire had already been fulfilled。 I studied about controlling the Dragon pulse and learning how to dance、 I would receive firewood and fruits daily so I was already satisfied。

「So thou have been satisfied with everything up to now。 However、 the one that thou have desired with great power was a Bride, right?」

Did he indeed not say the thing about the breasts。

I certainly wanted a bride。 Since I am a Man。 **(TLN: WAT..... I thought you were gay?)**

However、 I looked at Mistral-san。

Mistral-san's face was perplexed。
I felt the her gracefulness with her dignified standing appearance and it is true that she was the most beautiful woman that I have seen from the time I was born up till today。
But that is why she is unbalanced with me。
Since I'm just a normal boy who was living in the kingdom's capital that was going to a school where I'm regarded as a foolish child。

If her other party was the Hero Ristia then it would be probably different。
Even if he stood beside Mistral-san、It wouldn't feel like they weren't matched。
For their stature and position too。

「Mistral shall be 17 this year。There isn't any problem with her being a bit older than you。Though thou art standing with each other like this、thine and her really look perfect for each other」

Old Sleigstar said that as I and Mistral-san's glance got united and we averted our gaze from embarrassment。

「However.....」

Mistral-san's face deepened with perplexity。

Ah、It seems like I already understand。
Mistral-san doesn't like it huh。However, she couldn't refuse what her protector Old Sleigstar was giving to her。

Well that's to be expected。She wouldn't be pleased to suddenly be tld to get married to an unfamiliar and moreover a human male。
The humans for a dragonian、they might only think of us as a low kind of race。

「Mistral、accept it if thine doesn't have anyone thine are thinking about。And Ernea。Mistral shall be a great assistance for thine while thine continue to grow up in the future。One's own understand that thine are confused with this sudden announcement。However、just accept the agreement of interests first of all」

With Old Sleigstar's amazingly one sided pushy proposition、Mistral-san and I looked at each other for a second time。

I wonder what kind of expression is my face making right now?

Mistal-san had an extremely troubled but smiling face。

「With that、Ernea。Did thine not have a business with one's own?」

When he said that、I recalled the purpose of why I came here first。

That was so、I really needed to tell him about tomorrow。

Because of the meeting with Mistral-san and the sudden marriage proposal、I completely forgotten about it。

Three days from tomorrow、I was goign to tell Old Sleigstar about why I could go here from tomorrow onwards because of the school's event。

Since it would be bad for me if I didn't go home and prepare immediately、I came here early in the morning。

「Fumu、camping practice huh。Thou wouldn't be troubled with that since Mistral is there for thine」

「No No No、I'm not allowed to bring Mistral-san since she isn't a student」

(TLN: Remember to bring the lyrics of the Campfire Song song)

If they knew that she was a dragonian then it would become a fuss。
Even if you say that the dragonians are living at the western part of the dragon's peak but us humans haven't had much of an interaction with them。
Even with ages passed、the dragonians would only descend the mountain and cross the dragon's peak just to commerce with humans。
It was a normal thinking that no human has seen a dragonian。I also from until I met Mistral-san、I haven't seen a dragonian from then。

「Fumu、is that so。However, since thine has come here already with great pains。Go and train。Mistral、thine shall prepare the needed things for camping」

「.....I understand」

Though there was still a lot of things to be spoken about the marriage proposal but Mistral began to act as to what she was ordered to do。

Was she doing what was ordered to her?

Mistral-san turned back to where she came out a while ago as she disappeared from inside the forest of old trees。

「Am I really going to train right now?」

「Of course」

「Are you really serious about my and Mistral-san's marriage proposal」

「Of course」

Hahaha。 Whether I was glad or troubled but a complicated smile floated on my face。

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Chapter 10: The Dragon Princess and the Demon Beast

I as usual have entered into a meditating state while feeling the Dragon pulse。

When meditating at the plaza of moss, I can recognize the large river of Dragon pulse at once。On the contrary, I have already become able to feel the Dragon pulse even if I wasn't meditating since I just had to be conscious about it。

After meditating is practicing。

Scooping out the Dragon pulse and taking it inside my body。This is still quite difficult as it isn't going as what I'm thinking。

The thing which is formed when taking the Dragon pulse in one's own body is called Dragon Ki。

(TLN: Ya know, the Ki in chinese or japanese martial arts)

When pouring the Dragon ki in my feet, I would be able to jump up higher and be more faster when running。If I would pour it on my eyes then I would be able to see something from a distance much more clearer。

This is, it's the same thing as an expert or a magician using magic or the the ki surrounding their body to improve their body ability。

I who is like a magician without any magical power or an expert that didn't have Ki, is now trying to replicate the thing that they are doing with the use of Dragon Ki。

And thus, I was only able to perform such a thing like this with the Dragon Ki。Condensing the Dragon Ki from the scooped up Dragon Pulse and gathering it up in my palms。Doing that, I would able to refine it and a shining green Dragon Ki

would be seen above my palm。

Converting the shape of the refined Dragon Ki into that of an arrow、I threw it away to the target。

When the Dragon Ki Arrow hit the target、it showed an unthinkable destructive power。

(TLN: I want Ernea as my Archer class servant in F/GO!)

However、this is exceptionally more difficult than others so I still can't do it very well。

Outside the plaza of moss、it is a technique that I'm not able to successfully perform。

When the training of the Dragon pulse and the Dragon ki ends、it would be time for the dance practice。

There was a type that existed in the dance and I was able to dance it just recently。

Even if I say that、the extent that I was able to trace in general and the accuracy was in fact the lowest。

Like the way of raising my feet or the direction of where my hands should go、the right way of turning around and the movement of my glance。Old Sleigstar pointed out those details every minute。

Though I was frantically correcting it but it was a fact that my body didn't move as what I thought。

When I'm desperately practicing、Mistral-san had already come back before I noticed it and looked the my dance。

I noticed her glances as I got embarrassed & blushed at once。

For a man to be dancing、that would be strange as expected。It would be disgusting, ain't it?

Since Old Sleigstar was the only one who could see me dancing before then I wasn't embarrassed since he was like a master to me。For a lovely looking woman like Mistral-san to see me、I became unbearably embarrassed。

However、Mistral-san was marveled as she looked at my dance。

「Venerable one、don't tell me that that is、the Dragon Blade Dance」

To Mistral-san's inquiry, Old Sleigstar nodded.

「Correct. It is the Dragon Blade Dance」

The thing that was being taught to me seems to be called the Dragon Blade Dance.

「For such a thing to be that!. Are you saying that he is able to dance that blade dance?」

「He is still a bit unskilled with it huh. He is likely to be able to do it later on」

With Mistral-san's surprised voice, Old Sleigstar answered with a voice with conviction.

What is that Dragon Blade Dance & is it an amazing thing?

I was just, desperately practicing what Old Sleigstar was teaching me.

「I'm sorry, I know that this is a bit sudden but I want to have a little bit of a match please」

Mistral-san chose a handy branch from the pile of firewood & confronted me.

「Eeeeehhhh, what is this sudden thing?」

I who understood nothing was confused.

Even if I fight against a Mistral-san who is a Dragonian, I wouldn't be able to become an enemy against her.

Moreover, she is a lady that has an ultra strong strength that could injure an Ancient kind from the dragon tribe.

Impossible Impossible Impossible .

This wouldn't be even called a fight.

However, at an other place from me who was having an uneasy feeling, Mistral-san has chosen a branch like a sword and came to me with a slash.

Woah.

I immediately received a blow from the branch which was on her right hand.

Though it was a heavy attack but it didn't have the destructive power that I was imagining.

Perhaps, did she hold back considering my ability and the durability of the branch。

Though I didn't understand as to why I'm having a sudden match with Mistral-san so I was confused。

Mistral-san pursued at me without giving a care。

I panicked as I received Mistral-san's attack with my improvised dual blade wielding。

Though I thought that Mistral-san is a user of a one handed rod but why was she so good at fencing?

Or am I just too weak?

At any rate, I wasn't learning any fencing skills from the school at the time of military arts class since I was just meditating。

I became the one in the defensive side。

Then suddenly, Mistral-san stopped attacking and tilted her head。

「Why aren't you dancing?」

Dance? What is she talking about。

(TLN: Maybe she wants to dance waltz with you?)

I didn't understand what she meant as I also tilted my head。

「Kakaka, Mistral, do not ask for such an impossible feat. What one's own have taught to Ernea is the Dragon Blade Dance but one's own didn't tell him that it was a blade dance for actual combat」

Towards the remark of Old Sleigstar, Mistral-san and I were surprised yet again as for how many times has it been for today is what we didn't understood。

「Indeed, so that was it」

But Mistral-san gave her consent to Old Sleigstar's words at once & came to me to apologize。

「I'm truly sorry. For me to suddenly ask for a match. I wasn't aware of such a thing like that. Did ou sustain any injury?」

To Mistral-san's apology, I panicked as I answered that I'm fine。

Though I didn't have any injuries but I didn't understand anything after all。
I wonder how is it that the Dragon Blade Dance can be used for actual combat。

「Fumu, Since thine's introduction with Mistral has ended then one's own shall now proceed to give thine an explanation」

Old Sleigstar urged me to take a break。

Mistral-san held the juice which was extracted from the fruits from the pile of many fruits over there & passed it onto me。

「The peak of swordplays is dancing。 Does thou know what a Sword Saint is?」

I nodded while I stuffed myself with the fruit juice that I received。

Sword Saint。

It is a title which is the same as the titles “Hero” & “Dragon Princess”。

But it can't be given by a qualified person since it is a title that only existed for a single woman。

Sword Saint Falner。

The woman who has studied the way of the blade to the ends of its path。

Some say that she is a human。

Sword Saint Falner was extolled by her way of the sword that which was carried to the extremes so she was blessed with an everlasting youth from the Goddess-sama。

In the long continental history, the name of the Sword Saint Falner-sama appeared many times in it。 The most played stories in theatrical plays were stories of the Sword Saint Falner。

It still survived until now, the legend of her existence。 She is an equivalent existence to the Ancient kind Old Sleigstar dragon in a certain meaning。

Not only for the people who were aspiring for the way of the blade but also everyone from young to old knew of that woman, because of her title。

I know of her too of course。

「The blade play of the Sword Saint is called a dance。 Swordsmanship、 when thine body dances while everyone gets fascinated to it while watching、 a graceful battle exactly like a dancing 。 A Sword Saint is a relative to it as they would use many kinds of dances properly by the place where they are and one of those dances uses Dragon Ki」

The origins of the Blade dance that was displayed in the theatrical play was said to be a replication of manner of battle of the Sword Saint Falner。

The Bladeplay of the Sword Saint which was like a dance is famous of course。

「Since it is a Blade dance that uses the Dragon Ki then anyone who is accustomed to the usage of the Dragon pulse like the Dragonians can do it。 That is what the past Dragonians thought of。 The thing that can be learned when studying under the Sword Saint for a long year is the Dragon Blade Dance。 However、 it is the peak of Blade play & people who could use Dragon Ki up to the peak doesn't oftenly appear so much so it is now a technique that has been discontinued。 It has remained only as a memory of one's own 」

Old Sleigstar closed his eyes like he was thinking that the fate of the technique was unfortunate but the hair of my skin stood up from the shock。

I was being taught of something that was too amazing。
It is now a technique that nobody uses。
It can be said to be a secret technique of the Dragonians。

With that kind of thing、 for someone like me who is just a human who got lost in this plaza of moss to be taught of that technique。
It was too amazing that I thought I wouldn't be able to dance like that from now on。

「Fufun、 Thine can dance as much as you want from now on so do not worry。 Losing thine way & reaching this place、 watching thine hopeless dance and recalling the Dragon Blade Dance too、 & everything that has happened is because of that faithful encounter」

Was that so? Am I really alright for this?

「It would be alright for thine to not hesitate and learn it。 Since such a chance like this doesn't even happen for the Dragonians too」

For that reason too, is why I was thinking that it would be better for a Dragonian to learn it instead of a human like me。

「The current Dragonians as of today have techniques that uses all of one's strength。 Have a look and see, isn't the Dragon Princess using a blunt weapon?」

I looked at the one handed rod on Mistral-san's waist when he said that。

「Techniques are also necessary when for one handed rods too」

Mistral made a wry smile。

「Thine does not have to worry。 The Dragonians of now that would neglect sword techniques are not qualified to be taught of the Dragon Blade Dance」
「Though saying that too with my standpoint as a Dragon Princess is painful for me but I also think that the Venerable one is right。 Then by all means, please learn the Dragon Blade Dance up to the peak of it」

(TLN: Maybe Mistral's hinting for you to grow stronger so she can have you resist for a bit like those Shotas in those Femdom Shotacon doujins Huehue)

Mistral-san also gave my back a push as I finally thought that I could dance again at last。

「Fumu, since thine is already here then how about a bit of an actual combat match?」

With the decision of Old Sleigstar, Mistral-san became my partner in practicing the Dragon Blade Dance afterwards。

So as the difficulty suddenly rised, I raised a scream。

The movement of the hand is incorrect。 The movement of thine feet is wrong。 The scoldings of Old Sleigstar flew at me。

Thine glance is wrong。 Thine body movements is wrong。 Thine speed is slow。 When she finds a gap on me, Mistral-san gave a blow without mercy。

And I felt the Dragon pulse while kneading the Dragon ki as I danced but it was difficult to bind it in the technique。

It became noon when I noticed it as my stomach gave a scream this time。

「Let's have a break for now」

「I don't wanna do it anymore...I'm completely exhausted」

「It was a very hopeless dance as always huh」

「Venerable one、that is something that is impolite to say to someone who is giving it his all」

「That's right That's right、Grandpa is the reason why my body and mind are now worn out」

While having such a conversation、I sprawled at the ground of the moss。

Being wrapped up in the softness and the humidity of the moss felt good。

Since it already became summer & even if we were using the branches of the Spirit Tree as an umbrella to hide from the sun but it was still a bit hot。

While wiping the the sweat that was dripping off me with my tunic、I rested for a bit。

Ah、I'm hungry。

「Since I thought that it wouldn't become like this、I only gathered fruits。What should we do?」

While I was listening to the screaming of my stomach、Mistral-san gave off a troubled face。

「Thine only has to go out in the forest and hunt。Thine would be able to easily catch some food in case of thine」

Nodding at the advise of Old Sleigstar、Mistral-san urged me to go with her。
(TLN: Oh no! Those two are gonna be all alone in the forest where no one would see them. That 15 year old little boy is gonna get violated by that 17 year old Onee-san!)

「Though it is easy for me to catch something but since I can't handle nor cook it in here then let's cook our meal from outside」

(TLN: After you eat the meal....You're gonna eat Ernea! This lewd Dragon Princess)

I understand。It wouldn't be good to stain this sacred place with blood。
Though I was thinking about when Old Sleigstar received an attack and his finger bled but that might be an exception。

I headed into the forest of old trees with Mistral-san。

「Hoho、so it's a date immediately」

Mistral-san shot off an aura with thirst for blood at Old Sleigstar's unnecessary remark。

So Sc-, SCARY。

I walked beside Mistral-san to the forest of old trees as we looked for our prey。

A lot of animals unexpectedly lived in the forest of old trees。

Mistral-san however ignores the deer, wild boars or other large animals。

「In case of the necessary amount for our lunch then a small animal would be fine」

I see、that is certainly true。For a person from a clan that is being protected by the Dragon from the forest then she might be avoiding to kill more than what is necessary in the forest。

I also walked around and tried to look for a small animal in the vicinity。

I peeked at Mistral-san again who was walking with me & I felt that she was a partner that I don't deserve。

Since she's the Dragon Princess of the Dragonians。She's extremely gorgeous。I would feel intimidated even with just walking beside her。

「Don't worry about what the Venerable one was saying a while ago。The same with an elderly aged person、he just wants to be relied on to one way or another」

Did she read my feelings? Mistral-san said so with an apologetic voice。

「No no、I should apologize too」

I had an embarrassed smile on my face as I averted my gaze from Mistral-san。

「Apart from the matter of the Marriage proposal、I'll be practicing with you in your Dragon Blade Dance training so please do your best」

Mistral-san gently smiled as she took care of me。

She is really a good person。I'm sure that even from all of the Dragonians、I'm sure that she is very popular not as a Dragon princess only but as a single girl too。

While thinking so、Mistral-san stopped her feet。

「There it is」

In the place where Mistral-san's finger pointed at、there was a single rabbit。

Then Mistral-san suddenly appeared in front of the rabbit with a speed that my eyes couldn't catch as she grabbed it。

Ah、bow and arrows or trap are unnecessary huh。

I was astonished at her physical strength that was more than my expectations。

Afterwards、handled the rabbit with her movements that she was accustomed with、cooked it and passed it on to me。

Though only spices were used as for its seasoning but I happily devoured it since it was a freshly caught meat and I was hungry。

When I rested after my meal、I recalled the thing about the demonic beast。Incidentally、this place is the forest of dragons so this was the place that I was always being aimed at by the demonic beast。

Since I was always being aimed at、it was always dangerous and scary。If it was Mistral-san then would she be able to defeat that demonic beast? While thinking so、I talked about the demonic beast with Mistral-san。

(TLN: Mistral is more scarier than any demonic beast.... Small chested Yand Missere meow got hit by a one handed black rod in the head)

「I understand、a demonic beast huh。Though the forest itself wouldn't get damaged since the Venerable one isn't moving but you're being troubled by that huh」

Mistral-san earnestly listened to my story。Not only is she beautiful & kind too but I can see it now that she's a frank person too。

「In that case、let's go for a subjugation now」

eh。

Right now?

Though I spoke about the demonic beast but I didn't think that we would be subjugating it immediately afterwards。

I was surprised as she took my hand and made me stand up、Mistral-san said “okay” as she began to move。

「It would be best to do this fast。If you were attacked on the next time alone then there won't be a guarantee to your safety」

That is certainly so。But the forest is wide & I think that it is an enemy that won't be easily found when looked for。

At my doubt、Mistral-san pointed at the ground。

「Follow the Dragon pulse。Demonic beasts also uses the dragon pulse。The fact that they can't be detected except you might be because the other fighter knows about the Dragon pulse too。For the dragonians、finding the target would be easy by just following the Dragon pulse」

Mistral-san says so while unhesitatingly advancing。
I also walked beside Mistral-san in the forest。

「Apparently、the demonic beast has also noticed that someone is aiming at it」

Walking for a short while、Mistral-san suddenly stopped advancing as she began to watch our surroundings。

「That thing doesn't make any noise」

Mistral-san nodded at my caution。

「Demonic beasts are also technique users。I'm sure that it's using a technique to erase its noise」

Mistral-san & I mutually joined our backs as we became vigilant。

The animals and the singing of the birds that we were hearing a while ago suddenly disappeared before we were aware of it。

「It's getting near、be careful」

Immediately after Mistral-san said that。

Suddenly from the ground in front of me、the demonic beast jumped out and attacked me。

The demonic beast approached me with a single large leap。
My body suddenly stiffened & I couldn't move。

「Ah」

Immediately before its forefoot could attack me。

The Demonic beast got beaten。

Mistral-san slapped it like a fly and dropped it on the ground。

A heavy dull sound which was like an explosion blown off as the demonic beast sunk on to the ground。

Only with a single blow、the demonic beast was knocked down。

S-、so frightening。

If you would look at it、Mistral-san was bare handed。It was not the one handed rod but she slapped and defeated the demonic beast with just a single strike with her bare hands。

「I held back、it might not be dead」

Mistral-san stepped up to the demonic beast as she trampled & grinded her feet on its head。

(TLN: best way to Un-gay an MC? Sadist Heroine!)

Uhm、A beautiful woman shouldn't be doing those gestures.....

The demonic beast regained its consciousness before long as it saw Mistral-san and got frightened。

「Now then、shall I ask why have you been attacking Ernea-kun?」

Mistral-san didn't separate her feet from the demonic beast's face as she threatened it。

Other than that、was she able to have a conversation with demonic beasts? Putting my doubt aside、Mistral-san exchanged glances with the demonic beast。

The color of the eyes of the demonic beast was really showing that it was very frightened。

「I see。I have understood it well。If you attack him in the future however、then

I won't be forgiving you, okay?」

Mistral-san withdrew her feet when she said that。 When the demonic beast felt that the weight of Mistral-san's feet was gone、 it panicked and ran from that place。

Did they understand each other by just exchanging glances? With the situation that I didn't understand、 I tilted my head。

「In case of a high rank demonic beast then some are able to speak human's words。 In case of that current demonic beast、 it would be possible to communicate with dragonians even if they couldn't speak」

Hoho、 is that so。 The dragonians really are a superior race than the humans after all。

「And thus、 I read the thoughts of the demonic beast。 Though you could run away at the first time but whenever you were ran after and attacked but it was amused that you would just suddenly disappear after a bit so it just attacked you as its amusement」

Mistral-san gave off a wry smile。

「Since the demonic beast didn't seem to seriously want to kill you so I just let it go for this time。 Was that alright?」

Apparently、 this case was solved too fast because of Mistral-san & since I now understood as to why it always attacked me so I just obediently gave my thanks。

I have truly met an amazingly great person、 is what I earnestly thought。

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Chapter 11: Alone at the training camp

I just practiced the Dragon Blade Dance in the end until the day went dark & I returned home。

「Hey、have you truly prepared everything?」

I understand my mother's anxiety。 Since tomorrow shall be the start of my first camping training but I just spent my time in the forest of Dragons until the day became dark。

But it's alright。 Mistral-san has prepared everything that I needed。 Since I also had the emergency rations on hand & I'm a bit happy that it didn't cost much money。

I confirmed the things that Mistral-san prepared in my shoulder bag and went to bed。

A lot of things changed on this tiring day。
When I fell on the bed、I went to sleep at once。

Before the sun rose up on the next morning、my mother woke me up and I went up from my bed。

I firmly took my meal & headed towards the ruins。

The assembly for the ruins investigation is at the actual place。
I carried the heavy bag which had everything that I needed & hurried towards the site。

Commuting everyday to the forest of dragons & thanks to my everyday escaping from the demonic beast even if I was unwilling to do so、I surprisingly got a lot of

physical strength now。

When I arrived at the assembly point、there were already a number of students which were on the same grade as me there。

It seems like a number of them has already camped in here from yesterday。They're too excited for this。

When the boring me went inside、other students also arrived in succession and the assembly point became lively。

「It's time、We'll be having a roll-call」

When they looked at the time、the teacher gave an order。
When the attendance was taken、they checked if anyone didn't forget anything。

When the roll call and the explanation of things have ended、we finally departed to the ruins。

The preforming of the camping practice will be held at night of course。But since the groups would be searching for things and preparing stuff then we were sent within earlier。

Sequentially、the students entered inside the ruins。
The first formation that went inside was the Hero group of Ristia by the way。

Someone who is alone like me is placed to enter in the second half。
I settled myself in the second half & it was obvious from the eyes of the teachers that they were speculating if some of us in this second half would get a companion here。

Our turn came when I waited for a bit & we from this half who were alone went inside。

Those who were thinking of not going in an adventure or those who were just gonna spend their 1 year in a neighboring village would just be part of this second half alone。
Even if they paired up with someone、they would still have to find their own daily employment privately 。
When we moved towards our destination、it would be best for me to just pass a

bit money and ask for them to accompany me。

I looked over the people who were alone too。
About 1/3 of the students of my class were alone。

However、I was surprised to find the shrine maiden Ruiseine。
Did Ruiseine not go together with Inea who was a shrine maiden like her?

(TLN: (◡‿◡) Target lock on)

Within the girls in our class、I think that I mostly spoke with Ruiseine。
Did the other girls completely think of me as a foolish child since they wouldn't even talk to me。

Ruiseine at that topic、is a friend of mine from the opposite sex that I can joke with。

Since my eyes met with Ruiseine's by chance、I should just talk to her。

「To be honest、I became alone today」

Ruiseine gave off a troubled smile。

Ruiseine is a beautiful girl。

With her soft emerald colored hair which is long like what a shrine maiden should have。It seems like it reaches down to her hips。

Though the unique clothes of the shrine maiden is really showing off her body outline but she didn't have any breasts。

It seems like beautiful women like her and Mistral-san mostly don't have any breasts 。

「May I ask as to where are you looking at?」

Ruiseine stared at me with her eyes as I panicked and averted my gaze from her chest & urged her to continue our talk。

「Inea has recently been acting together with Ristia-kun」

Ruiseine seems to be a bit lonely。

「Pe-pe-, Perhaps、she would be a new bridal candidate for Ristia.....」

Such a frightening Hero-sama。Surely、for him to lay his hands on the two shrine maiden that he is with。

It is certain that Inea's loveliness is within Ristia's taste but he already has Kiri as

his bridal candidate。

Don't tell me that he is planning on getting more。

(TLN: Dear Ristia, Please give Ernea-kun even a single Shrine maiden – Missere Meow)

Hero-sama、that's too much。

With me who gave off a wry smile、Ruiseine also smiled。

The other people who were alone to attentively listened to my conversation with Ruiseine as all of them were surprised。

We entered the ruins in the meantime and came to the first hall。

In this place is where everyone will be heading off into different directions。There are a lot of passages in the hall and ahead of those were various places within the ruins。

I chose an appropriate passage way and advance in it。

There weren't anyone here who would get lost by choosing a wrong passage way so everyone advanced into the passage ways as they liked。

Would Ruiseine choose the same passage way as mine too is what I secretly hoped for but that wasn't so。

Ruiseine has chosen another path。

When getting inside the depths of this ruins then one would be having a rough time in there。

This ruins already existed even before this nation was founded and some say that this place was from the distant past race which has flourished the whole place。

Though the underground only had 10 layers but the depth is vast and this place was called a labyrinth according to the hierarchy。

Though it was only ten years ago that the 3 layers were found above ground but it was destroyed by the invasion of the flying dragons。

The flying dragons would occasionally part from the flying dragon hunting grounds in the north & would likely invade the kingdom's capital。

Every time they invaded、there would be a ton of commotion and the number of victims were many which made it very scary。

Now then、I'm within the ruins。Though it is vast but it's safe for us novices to

explore it & our safety were secured。

Since I made an entire map of the ruins & some places had signs so if I would just match up the signs and my map then I won't get lost。

However, some low class monsters would occasionally go out。

Therefore, it wouldn't be good for me to let down my guard。

The camping training for this time is about wandering in the ruins in the daytime & defeat any monster that would occasionally come out by ourselves。 We would use our tools and the food that we brought to cook a meal for ourselves when it is night time as we would alternatively be on a lookout。 That is what the outline of our training was。

But even if you say that, there's no need to obediently wander around all day long。

When I found an appropriate small room, that is where I placed down my baggage。

Since I had a lot of time now, I thought that I should continue my training。 I sat down immediately and started my meditation。

(TLN: Fuck training by battle like some mainstream JP manga. I'll go with training through meditation like some mainstream CN novel – Missere Yun Che Meow)

Nowadays, I'm now able to feel the Dragon pulse even if I was outside the plaza of moss。

「Ernea's meditation is really mysterious when I look at it」

Kurishio previously saw my meditation and said so。

It's since Kurishio can feel magical power but can't feel the Dragon pulse。 I think that she felt something different from my appearance while I was feeling the Dragon pulse。

When I entered into a deep meditation, it felt like my consciousness would get separated from my body as I would proceed to swim in the dragon pulse。 And at my presence seemed to be a genuinely large river。 Though the stream of the large river looked very dreadful but when I would go near and scoop some Dragon pulse, I felt a contradiction as the flow of the life power was warm while it was strong yet gentle。

Though Mistral-san taught me yesterday but it seems like the demon beasts can dive and move in this Dragon pulse。

Therefore if I could acquire the power to ascertain the flow of the Dragon pulse then would I be able to find my targets like that demonic beast?

Though there is still so much for me to study before I reach the peak。

While I was resting on the way, I kept on meditating。

At the first time that I practiced my meditation outside the plaza of moss, I couldn't feel the Dragon pulse at all & though I felt sleepy most of the time because my eyes were closed but such things didn't happen anymore right now。

Since this ruins is on the underground, the light of the sun won't reach me。The only light that would emit in this small room that was enclosed with a stone wall is this portable lamp that I brought & outside of the room was completely dark。

Though there were light attribute magic stones set up on the big passage ways but the only thing that was giving light in the place that I was in was the light that I brought with me。

Therefore, when a commotion occurred on the passage way ahead of me, I panicked as I went out of the room with the light that I had。

Though I went out to the thin passage way but I didn't understand the situation with the small range of the light that was being illuminated。

A little bit away from the passage way, it seems like a commotion happened in the passage way besides the place that I was in。I heard the shrieks and roars which exceeded the stone walls。

「RUN AWAY!」

「Run inside! 」

I could hear the voices and clamors of schoolboys。

But it wasn't a trivial thing。

Even if a commotion occurred if a monster came out, they wouldn't be in a panic and scream for anyone to run away。

What might it be,

I was worried as my whole body became nervous。

This is bad、I can't see the situation with just this light that I brought。

I killed off the light that I brought without hesitation。

And I deepened my consciousness as I felt the Dragon pulse。

I took a necessary amount of Dragon ki from the Dragon pulse and poured it on my eyes。

I became able to see the inside of the ruins which was completely dark。

Alright、I can use the Dragon ki。

When I packed all my luggage together in a hurry、I ran off to the place where I heard the screams from。

I should have taken my stuff and ran away too in reality。However、my usual intuition made me run towards the place of strife。

There were some bends in the passage way as I ran towards the direction where I felt some people's presence。

The noise became closer as I saw the students from my class on the corner ahead with their lights。

I rushed towards where the light was。

I suddenly came out to where the light was illuminating & a schoolgirl raised a scream。

「What happened」

I shook the schoolgirl's shoulder as I tried to confirm the situation。

「It's Ernea huh。Stupid、go and run quickly」

Other schoolboys pushed me however as they ran to the passage way that I went from。

The school girl also panicked and ran in haste。

「Run away! Run away!」

Though other three students were in the passage way but fear was thoroughly on their faces as they ran away at full speed。

I also reluctantly ran away with them。

The effect of the Dragon ki that I used has already faded & I couldn't find the place where the student's lights have illuminated on。

Is it because I was always being chased by the Demonic beast? Everyone is in a state of panic as they ran away but I was awfully calm。

Besides, I couldn't feel any presence that was chasing them even when they said that I should run。

I ran to the interior with the students anyways。
When I met up with some of the students while running, they just told me to run away together with them。
The sounds of an uproar resounded within the ruins as some of the students who approached were rolled on & the students who were running exceeded a number of 10 when I noticed it。

We turned to a lot of corners & we got out to the hall。
We ran towards the room where a door was attached。
We confirmed that everyone who ran was there and closed the door。

Did they calm down when we entered the room since the schoolgirl began to weep。
The schoolboys that were still a bit energetic like me took the stools and desks in the room and used it as a blockade for the door。

Though I didn't understand on what happened but I somehow moved while matching up with everyone。

Everyone began to settle down as time passed as I heard the situation from the schoolboy who was crying out to run away。

The schoolboy was Kijirumu。
Hahaha, nobody noticed it from the commotion。

「What on the meow has happened?」

Kijirumu is one of the people who Ristia practiced with a blade。 He had a superior rank with the blade skill from our class。

It was a situation where he was in panic and told everyone to run away。 I can understand that it is not something ordinary。

「I-, I can't understand it myself too」

Since Kijirumu was still in a panic state, he was passed with a flask of water。 When Kijirumu drank it up in a dash, her took a deep breath and told us about the situation at that time。

「We were wandering inside the ruins。 Then though we encountered our teacher。 We spoke with the teacher while moving inside the ruins」

The teachers and the knights of the kingdom would spread apart inside the ruins and observe that all students are safe for three days。 They have likely met a single teacher from those。

「When we moved about while talking, those fellows then appeared at the entrance」

Did he recall anything, Kijirumu's face became pale as his body trembled。

「That was a demon sword you know。 I'm not wrong。 I could already understand it by just seeing it's ominous aura」

A DEMON BLADE ! ? 。 I was shocked。

Demon blade。

It is a cursed weapon that the demons kneaded with their magic。 Since it's a weapon that the demons made for the demons, other races would be cursed if they would use it。

Especially the ones who were ill-nature were natural victims of the kind of curse it had that would charm a person to use it。

When someone is cursed, they would lose their control of themselves and would proceed to massacre everything。

「For it to be a demon blade, did the demons like last time come again ? 」

I also shuddered。

Even if you say that how many times have I trained in the forest of dragons but I had no actual combat experience。

Though I practiced with Mistral yesterday but assuming that I was attacked, I thought that an actual combat is impossible。

The sword the was on my waist today was just an average sword that I borrowed

from my teacher a while ago。

「No.....that was a demon sword user。 it's a cursed human」

In a trembling voice、 Kijirumu said so。

「Th-、 that is.....」

I found no word to say。

In that situation、 did that cursed person come to this ruins to make a massacre?

「T-、 Though the teacher and Ruiseine confronted them but that is an impossible to win battle。 For just the two of them to face five enemies.....」

「Wha.....」

What the hell is that。 For them to face 5 cursed demon sword users。 That might be a hopeless situation。

Moreover、 just Ruiseine and the teacher facing them is too much of a despair filled battle。

I understood why the students ran while in the state of panic。

「A-、 and what became of the teacher and Ruiseine?」

I timidly asked ahead。

「I saw the teacher being enclosed and got cut。 Though Ruiseine was using a barrier to block the passage way but I'm unsure of what is happening right now」

If he said it like that、 Kijirumu held his hands on his head and crouched down like he didn't want to remember。

I'm sure that he was really scared of the Demon blades and the sight of the teacher being cut。

Since I was often attacked by a demonic beast、 I understood his feelings even if the situations were different。

However、 I can't just stay like this。

I was really worried about Ruiseine。

She's closing off the passage way as she is buying the students some time to run away。

She couldn't keep the barrier on forever and when her holy power runs out then

it would be gone。

I have to go and save her。

I decided on that without hesitation。

Though I can't fight off 5 Demon blade users but I'm sure that I can run away with Ruiseine。

I recovered my luggage as I pulled down the things at the entrance & I tried to go out。

「Hey you、What are you doing!」

Though the schoolboys that noticed me tried to obstruct me、I shook them off and pulled down the items in the entrance and went outside the door。

Please be safe。

I wished for the safety of Ruiseine as I deepened my consciousness。

Is it because I'm nervous since it's an emergency。I could feel the Dragon pulse easily unlike from the usual。

While taking the Dragon ki from the Dragon pulse。And I poured it on my feet then thus, I started to run。

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Chapter 12: Ruins Rhapsody

I retraced my steps as I hurried on my way。
I sent the Dragon Ki in the lower part of my body & it accelerated。I also poured some on my eyes at the same time as I foresaw the darkness of the insides of the ruins。

Though encountering the Demon blade users is extremely high but if I returned then I won't be able to reach the place where Ruiseine is。
It would be good if I'll just run if I was found。I'm sure that my running speed right now would be the same as Ristia。

Turning around many corners、I reached the single vast room at last。
Since this large room was made as a temporary gathering point so there were magic stones of light that was illuminating that place。
Though I hid on the shadow of the pillar while in a panic since I sensed several presences but the other party seems to have found me。

「Who's there!」

To that sharp voice、I was a bit relieved however。

「Ristia、it's me」

(TLN: No more Hero time? Is it gay time already?)

I put out my appearance from the shadow of the pillar。
The ones who were in the large room was Ristia and his companions。

「Ernea huh、what is with this commotion?」

Ristia noticed that it was me & beckoned。

I went to the place where Ristia is and told him on what was the commotion about。

They received my explanation as Kiri and Inea's faces became pale。 Since they were both Shrine maidens like her、 it's obvious that they were worried about Ruiseine。

「Demon blade users huh。 There were also 5 people too」

Slatton gulped his breath。

「It's certainly abnormal since all of them appeared at once at the same time。 If we let our guards down then we'll be killed however。 Though Demon blades are frightening but the ability of the demon blade users were still cursed」

Ristia encouraged everyone。

As expected of the Hero-sama。 He's always calm at any time & could encourage everyone。

Even the knights of the kingdom can't fight against the Hero Ristia。 Only Slatton which was beside him could come close with Ristia's sword techniques。 The boku girl Namy is quick & the 4th princess Serisu-sam who was good at cooperating with Ristia。 The magician Kurishio who could use long range magic attacks。 The Shrine maiden Kiri who is at the assistance role。 There is also the Shrine maiden Inea too。 Their healing prowess is flawless。

Ristia's companions are perfect。

Though they furiously rushed out of the door but since Ristia and his companions are here then I'm not needed anymore。

In comparison to everyone who was enthusiastic、 I was a bit despondent。 But since I didn't need to force myself to do a dangerous thing any longer、 I settled down calmly。

「So the other students who already ran are in that passageway huh」

Slatton confirmed that to me & I nodded。

「Since it wouldn't be possible to go to that room if they won't go through this large room then it would be alright for us to prepare our formation here」

Everyone consented to Serisu-sama's opinion。

The shrine maidens Inea and Kiri formed a barrier on the passage way that I went from first of all so the way there would be barricaded。Serisu-sama and Namy would be protecting that barrier。

The vanguard are Slatton and Ristia as those 2 waited in the center of the room。

Kurishio entered the barrier of the shrine maidens & performed a magic spell。She lighted off an incense as she started to chant words that I couldn't understand & she drew a pattern on the ground with a special powder。

Magic is used by the Demons and the Godmen use their holy magic but the shrine maidens differ from those since their sorcery is performed by using special tools and complex ceremonies。

That is why they needed expertise, strong concentration & magical power。

When the spell of Kurishio was complete, a gentle wind blew inside the large room as it extended and expanded through the passage way there。

「It's a wind spell。It will search for the Demon blade users and Ruiseine」
(TLN: Though Tracing the Dragon pulse is better.)

Kurishio explained that while meditating。

If she didn't continue to concentrate on her spell then it's effect would disappear。

That is why sorcerers like Kurishio needs to continue in meditating while being defenseless。

She went inside the barrier of the shrine maidens and performed her spell there so her body would be safe。

And thus, I was next to Kurishio。

Of course, I was inside the barrier of the shrine maidens。

Even if you say that it is possible for me to do something with the Dragon pulse but I'll just pull down Ristia's team if I was there。That is why I obediently took shelter inside the barrier。

「I'm sorry。Though we also can try to find Ruiseine's whereabouts but it seems like she isn't using any spells」

Kiri said so with an apologetic look。
With sorcery, there seems to be a spell where they can specify a spell user's whereabouts within their range。 However, Ruiseine seems to be not using any magic right now。

Perhaps, her holy power has already gotten empty。 Then, there might be a possibility that she's being attacked by the Demon blade users right now。 Since they can't feel Ruiseine holy power, Kiri & Inea's faces were still pale as of now。

「I should have been together with Ruiseine」
「It's alright。 She is a War Shrine maiden unlike us。 I'm sure that she's fine」

Kiri was stroking the back of the crying Inea as she comforted her。

The War Shrine maiden is a Shrine maiden that specializes in battles unlike ordinary shrine maidens。

They excelled in attack magic and combat skills。

So Ruiseine was a War Shrine maiden。

When that was done, Kurishio gave off a voice of precaution。

「There are 3 ominous people & they are going towards our direction」

Everyone started to get tensed up。

Since it was ominous, then it's right to say that those were the Demon blade users。

Since there were only 3 people then the remaining people might be doing something separately。

Before long, 3 men appeared at the large room。

「What the meow!」

(TLN: MUH SITE!)

It was just the usual Slatton with his disordered black hair。

「I wonder what that is」

Ristia had a severe look。

I also am surprised at the appearances of the men who showed up。

All of them wore the same armor. The ringing sound came from their whole bodied silver armor as they confronted Ristia and his companions. Everyone held a dark blade on their right hands which gave off an ominous atmosphere & 2 of them had shields. Those shields had the emblem of Yorutenitosu painted on it.

「Why have the knights from our neighboring country become a demon blade user!」

Slatton set up his long sword with both his hands while he cursed at those men.

「Even if there was a reason but we can't help it since they're already cursed. Let's do it」

With the shout of Ristia, the battle has begun.

Ristia shook his Holy flame sword outside of the interval as the holy flames were shot out.

The Demon blade users dispersed to avoid it.

「I'll be leaving those to you for the time being」

Slatton stabbed at the Demon blade user who seemed to have the strongest physique from the group. Slattona and the Demon blade user intensely exchanged blows.

While Ristia was shooting out the flames like feinting, he confronted the other remaining two.

Though it was 2:1 for Ristia but it would be surely safe to leave that to him.

There was Serisu-sama and Namy on the rear side who were ready any time to support them.

The sounds of metal colliding each other violently. The atmosphere of the air became a bit hot from the flames being shot out as it flickered in the large room while I watched it.

「This is bad」

On the side of me who was observing the battle of those two, the one who leaked out a voice like she was at her wit's end was Kurishio.

The attention of Inea, Kiri & mine gathered at Kurishio。

「I think that I might have found Ruiseine。 However.....」

The tension started to run within the barrier。

「I can hardly feel any vitality on her。 I think that she's wounded。 To that、 the other two remaining ominous Demon blade users are approaching her」

Ah、 how could this happen。

With the bad news、 Inea crumbled down。

「Someone、 isn't there any knights of the kingdom near her?」

Kiri barely stood up and asked Kurishio。

However、 Kurishio who was still meditating shook her head。

Ruiseine is nearly dying。 If the Demon blade users come near her then that would be a despair filled situation。

「Kurishio、 Tell me where that place is。 I'll go there myself」

「Wha-、 what are you saying?!」

(TLN: FINALLY! YOU FREAKING MANNED UP! finally at last!)

Kiri screamed at my proposition。

That is、 I'm incompetent when compared to everyone but、 however, if someone didn't go right now then Ruiseine would certainly get killed。

「It's too far、 you won't make it in time」

Kurishio painfully said so

「We won't be sure if I won't make it there on time if I didn't try。 Just hurry up and tell me where she is」

If Ruiseine was still alive then I want to save her。 I can't just give up on her just because she was too far。

I yearned to be like Ristia。 I feel that he wouldn't leave his friends or companions even if it was a dangerous situation in case of him。

If I abandon Ruiseine right now then I would surely be unable to be like Ristia in the future。

With my vigor、 Kurishio told me where the place was。

It was near the small room where I was at. Though it was far but I would be able to go there without getting lost.

I first of all took out a small jar in my shoulder bag. And after confirming the sword on my waist, I sat down.

Though Kiri and Inea were dubious as to what I was doing, I just started meditating.

I sunk the excited heart of mine & deepened my meditation. I felt the Dragon pulse at once & I took a necessary amount of Dragon Ki unto my body at a dash. I filled my whole body with Dragon ki.

I stood up and went outside of the barrier. Serisu-sama and Namy felt suspicion towards me. Though the attentions of Slatton and Ristia were on their battle but did they hear our conversation within the barrier.

I slipped through those two and accelerated.

The lower body of mine which was filled with Dragon ki, produced an explosion like leg strength. I slipped through the center of the room where Slattona and Ristia were fighting at an instant & entered the passage way.

I could see the surprised facial expression of Ristia for a moment.

Hurry up.

Be on time.

I accelerated further as I got out of the large room and went through the corners as to face the place where Ruiseine was.

I could see through the darkness like it was morning with the Dragon ki that I entrusted to my eyes.

The wind pressure was torn up with the strengthened muscles of my body as each of my step got faster as I pushed ahead.

And when I turned at a corner and entered the long passage way, I found Ruiseine.

Ruiseine was leaning and sitting on the wall of the passage way. The teacher was lying at her feet.

And。

The two Demon blade users who is raising their demon blades were at Ruiseine。

Ah、I won't make it with my speed right now。

I was unconsciously refining the Dragon ki on my right hand。
My right palm was shining with a green light。I instantly changed its shape into a spear & threw it out。

The Dragon Ki Spear attacked the Demon Blade users with a heightened speed。

I directly hit the shield of the Demon blade user's shield as it blew off to a far distance backward。

The other Demon blade user turned his attention on to me。

And that time was enough。

I hurled myself at the Demon blade user without decelerating as I wedged myself in the place where Ruiseine and the Demon blade users were。

The Demon blade user with a large shield was sunk on the wall at the back & couldn't move an inch。

Though I blew off the Demon blade user by hitting its body but it seems like he made a defensive posture and stood up as he confronted me。

He turned his thirst for blood at my direction。

I ignored the hesitating feeling that I had & I pulled out my average sword。

I can do this。If I didn't save her then Ruiseine would get killed。

I concentrated my senses on the Demon blade user。

I received the attack from above immediately。

So fast。

And it was a heavy attack。

Slatton said that they were knights of the Yorutenitosu kingdom。

The Demon blade users in my presence were wearing armor on their whole body and on their chest part was the same emblem from the shield of the ones that

appeared in the large room。

While I was thinking about my enemies who were the knights from the neighboring country、I'll be easily defeated。
Concentrate、me。

I only looked at the Demon blade user in my presence。
If I don't kill him then I'll be killed。
Deeply concentrating is the same with meditation。
I felt the Dragon pulse。

I warded off and mowed down the silver dark sword as I entered the chest position of the enemy with a low posture that I took。
The Demon blade user fell back to make a distance between us。
When I pushed up the average sword、it bounced back from the hardness of the armor。
Using my strength to pierce through、I drove it back on the hard metallic armor。
With that、the posture of the Demon blade user was destroyed。
I added up a rotation with my whole body this time as I mowed down an attack。
Though he received that attack、but the demon blade user couldn't counter attack。
His upper-body is firm。Then I should just add another rotation with my first rotation of my body with my attack。
I leaned over turned and kicked him with my leg。
Though it was hit on his armor but my legs which is strengthened by the Dragon ki would be very heavy。
The body posture of the Demon blade user was further destroyed。

I was delirious。
With my enemy being a former knight of Yorutenitosu as a Demon blade user right now、I danced the Dragon Blade dance that I just learned。

It looked like I was washing away the blade of the Demon blade user with my flowing like movements while I was drawing a circle in the air with my average sword。I entered the area of the bust of the enemy using force as I powerfully kicked the ground and faced my enemy's blade。
A chance has been shown to me at last & I gave off my attack。

I who desperately danced、spin and spin as I revolved unto the Demon blade user。

And then、the average sword that I pushed out has pierced through the throat of the Demon blade user at last。

Blood sprayed from him as the Demon blade user fell down。

The feeling of piercing his body was transmitted unto my hands and the feeling of the sin of killing a person too is a feeling that I haven't felt at that time。

It's just that、I could only feel the joy of protecting Ruiseine。

I confirmed the death of the Demon blade users & I ran to where Ruiseine was。

Ruiseine looked at me like she had gone senile。

「Ruiseine、are you alright?」

At my voice、Ruiseine restored her smile weakly。

「Please don't mind me & please help our teacher」

Ruiseine said that as she gaze upon our teacher。

The body of the teacher was blood stained。

Kijirumu said that the teacher was enclosed and got cut so I thought that the teacher was a goner。

I looked at the teacher but even if he was bloody but he didn't have any wounds。

「I healed the surface of his wounds。But my holy power has disappeared」

Ruiseine explained that weakly。

「Since you can see that I'm already like this so please just help our teacher」

The face of Ruiseine didn't have blood。

I was startled and I observed Ruiseine。

The abdomen of Ruiseine was cut up with a sword and the place where she was sitting has formed a sea of blood。

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Chapter 13: Goodnight. Ruiseine

I recalled the words of Kurishio。

When her vitality started to disappear。

Ruiseine saved the teacher rather than her wounded self。

Is this really a necessary action for a Shrine maiden? Do they really need to care about other people's lives more than their own? Is she a person that really had to save the teacher that willingly sacrificed himself to save her?

To the appearance of the Shrine maiden Ruiseine like that, I unintentionally shed tears。

「Why are you crying? Ernea has made a great achievement. Come now, please take the teacher and go to a safe place with him」

The voice of Ruiseine has already become hoarse and frail。

Ruiseine doesn't know about it huh. That the other remaining Demon blade users should have been already defeated by Ristia and his companions at this time。

Besides。

I didn't even take an active part in it。

「Ehehe, Ruiseine really didn't know anything huh, really now」

To the words of mine while tearing up with a smile, Ruiseine tilted her head. She seemed like she would fall any second when she tilted her head so I held her on my arms。

And I gently touched the wounds of Ruiseine。
Hawawa、her wounds are so deep that her internal organs are bursting out。
When I touched her wounds、Ruiseine made an expression of agony。

「Ah、sorry。It hurts huh」
「N-、no。Such a thing.....」

Ruiseine smiled at me who was worrying for her。
However、her pupils were closed like she was going to instantly fall asleep & now Ruiseine has completely shut her eyes。

Aaahhhh.....。

The tears from ym eyes didn't stop to flow。

I'm really sorry、Ruiseine。And goodnight。

(TLN: The chapter title! WAT DA MEOW!)

I moved Ruiseine from the pond of blood by carrying her。

Garan。 **(TLN: Sound effect)**

In the interior of the passageway、the rocks from where the wall collapse began to move。

When I turned my glance to that direction、the demon blade user with a large shield started to stand up。

Damn。For him to be safe when he received the Spear of Dragon ki。
Though the Arrow of Dragon ki already had an amazing amount of power but it seems like he didn't die from even the Spear of Dragon ki。
I was astonished。

The Demon blade user started to push aside the pebbles while I was still in shock & he was very different from the other people。

Though I didn't notice it when I desperately came here but I could now understand that he was different from the other Demon blade users。

The demon blade user who had a large shield was wrapped up in an armor of jet black darkness。
And a strong sinister aura is being let out of his body。

This fellow is different from the other Demon blade users。
My whole body was sweating。

The Dark armored Demon blade user slowly approached my direction。

Run away。 My instincts cried out。
I managed to win against a former knight of the Yorutenitosu kingdom who was now a Demon blade user。
However, I couldn't feel even a small bit of a chance in winning against this fellow that was in front of me。

In case of the usual me、 then I would have run away now at full speed。
However、 the teacher that Ruiseine saved while risking her own life wasn't conscious right now。
I couldn't leave him here。

I took out the average sword once again & took a stance。

I closed up a bit of a distance between the two of us。

I deepened my consciousness and felt the Dragon pulse。

And then。

I mustered up the remaining strength that I had & ran away from that place。
You're misunderstanding me。 I wasn't running away。 I was running while I was making an excuse for myself。

Two shining things were there in front of the place where I was running into。

It was a pair of glaring but glittering pupils of blue color。

The thing with those glittering blue pupils shot off an astonishing strong aura of thirst of blood as my legs cowered, tangled and fell off。

The Dark armored Demon blade user calmly approached。

The person that was in front of me also approached。

The person who was in front of me was nearer。

「He-、 help me」

I cried out。

The person that had glittering blue eyes approached me。

That person pulled out the one handed lacquer black rod from its waist。

「Stay at that place」

The person with blue eyes passed over me。

It was Mistral-san。

To the terrifying aura of thirst for blood that Mistral-san was emitting、The Dark armored Demon blade user set up his large shield。

Mistral-san didn't have a look like she was worried。

Both of them took their respective arms and ran to each others attacking range。

At the moment when the Dark armored Demon blade user moved。

An explosive like metallic sound that resounded consecutively for six times resounded in the passage way of the ruins。

And thus、at the bottom of Mistral-san's foot which was like a second just passed by was the lump of meat of the Dark armored Demon blade user。

「Fumu、I didn't even need to use a technique attack」

(TLN: SCARY! You should be considering on calling her Mistral-sama or Mistral Onee-sama, MC-kun)

It was overwhelming。It took only an instant for her six attacks。
It didn't matter that he had a large shield or his body was covered in a dark armor、the Demon blade user was brutally beaten to death by Mistral-san's blunt weapon。

S-、SO SCARY。

So this is the thing that they call a Dragon Princess。A person that could even injure an Ancient dragon type 。

I understood Mistral-san's dreadfulness right now。

Speaking of Mistral-san、she shook off the blood on her one handed rod and returned to where I was。

Her aura of thirst for blood has already disappeared。

「Are you alright? Are you injured?」

「N-, o I'm alright。 Other than that、 why are you in this place?」

Actually、 I already noticed that Mistral-san was getting nearer when I felt the Dragon pulse a while ago。 That's why I ran away。

(TLN: That's what you call TACTICAL RETREAT, bruh)

But the aura of thirst for blood of hers was really scary。

I just voiced my complaint a bit。 By no means am I saying that Mistral-san is scary。

「Yes。 The old man was actually worried since you used the Dragon ki for even a short time。 I hurriedly came here to oversee your situation」

I see、 Old Sleigstar who is well versed in the Dragon pulse noticed me using it huh。

「Was that so。 That was really helpful」

I became stale like as I let out a sigh as Mistral took out her water flash and took some as she handed it over to me。

I graciously accepted & drank it up at a dash。

「Since you have settled down then briefly explain this situation」

With Mistral-san's urging、 I told her about the things that have happened。

「Was that so。 That was a very difficult happening huh」

Mistral-san looked at Ruiseine and the teacher who were laying down beside me when I said that。

「The teacher doesn't seem to have any wounds and looks fine」

I said that and looked over Ruiseine as Mistral-san looked a bit sad。

「Ernea、 you have did well。 You have done a great thing within your limits on this dangerous situation」

With Mistral-san who comforted me、 The tears that stopped overflowed once more。

Mistral-san gently embraced me。
Mistral-san is really gentle and kind。
I depended on Mistral-san for a bit as I entrusted my feelings to my tears。

Mistral-san rubbed my back and caressed my head as my mind gradually settled down。

「First of all、it's good that you're alright」
「Yes、but if Mistral-san didn't come then I would have been driven to a corner」

I somehow managed to make a smile as Mistral-san tight and strongly embraced me。

「Don't be too reckless。The old man and I would be worried」
「Oh、So Mistral-san was worried about me huh」

To my joke、Mistral-san gave a wry smile。

「YareYare。So you've finally became a bit energetic」
(TLN: YareYare= exclamation of relief or disappointment which in case of this situation then it would be relief)

With Mistral-san's concern、I expressed my gratitude。

「Yes。It won't be good if I just kept on sobbing like that」
「That's correct。A boy has to be steady」

Mistral-san said that as she patted my head and stood up。

「Now then、Since I have confirmed your safety then I shall take my leave」
「Eh、you're already leaving?」

Mistral-san just came。I wanted her to give support to Ristia and his companions who might be having a hard time in their battle。

「That necessity seems to be non existent already」

When she heard my worrying、Mistral-san smiled。
What does she mean? is what I thought when I heard a person's voice from afar。

「Ooooi、Ernea、Ruisseine」
「Where are you Ruisseine!」

It was the voices of Slatton and Inea. They gradually drew closer.

「Go on、go out and meet with them」

Mistral-san said so as she disappeared into the darkness of the opposite direction as to where the voices were.

「Ah、Mistral-san. Thank you」

To my words of gratitude、Mistral-san waved her hand while she didn't turn around and disappeared.

When I was watching the appearance of Mistral-san who was disappearing in the darkness、Slatton & everyone had came from the back side.

「Ernea」

When I turned around、Ristia was there. Aahh、The whole Hero party was there.

「Y-、Yo guys」

I shyly said.

Everyone who ran up to me looked at Ruiseine and the teacher who was dyed up in blood beside me as they drank their breath.

「Ruiseine. Uwaahhhh.....」

Inea broke down.

「Th-、this is.....」

Kiri fell down.

Serisu-sama and Kurishio also cried.

Slatton didn't conceal his trembling but he was still vigilant of the surroundings.

Ristia first of all looked at the lump of flesh which was the Dark armored Demon blade user & confirmed the annihilation of the other Demon blade user near it.

「This is、did you finish off these two?」

With Ristia's question、I only answered the half of his question.

「That lump of flesh was dealt with by an adventurer that passed by」

「An adventurer? In this kind of place?」

Ristia and Slatton were in doubt。

That was impossible though。 Since this is a ruins that the school uses then this is a place that any adventurer won't usually come。

But since I thought that it would be better if I didn't tell about Mistral-san who was a dragonian then I just told a suitable lie。

Though I felt bad that I was lying to the Hero but I didn't have a choice。

「It's like、 that person was chasing the Demon blade users。 But it seems like that person was a shy type so that person immediately went off after that person defeated the Demon blade user」

Fuun、 Slatton didn't seem to give his consent。 Was that so、 is what Ristia looked like he was saying as he nodded his head。

Since they didn't pursue any more、 I was relieved and patted my chest。

「Then I'll be asking you of the explanation on this part」

Ristia came back to where I was & looked at Ruiseine and the teacher。

Inea and the girls were still crying。

「It seems like Ruiseine used her holy power to heal the teacher。 However、 it seems like she ran out of holy power.....」

I looked at Ruiseine who was lying down。

「I-、 is that so.....」

Ristia and Slatton went near to Ruiseine and bent their knees down。

「You did well、 Ruiseine。 You have done an honorable action up to the last as a shrine maiden」

Ristia took the hand of Ruiseine。

「You did your best、 Ruiseine」

Kiri was crying as she took the other hand。

Slatton placed his hands on her right shoulder as Namy placed hers on her left shoulder。

Inea was still crying on Ruiseine's bosom。

「As a princess of the kingdom、I am proud of you and praise you」

「I'm sorry that I haven't found you sooner」

Serisu-sama and Kurishio gently patted her cheeks。

「We will never forget your honorable sacrifice」

Ristia kissed the hand of Ruiseine。

「Eh?」

I tilted my head in confusion。

「What is it?」

Serisu-sama criticized me。I alone didn't read the atmosphere is what her glance was telling me。

But.....。

「Is Ernea-kun not sad?」

Inea said that while crying。

「I'm a bit sad too。But it's like、I'm not that much sad like you guys are.....」

Everyone looked at me violently with my words。

Uuhm、Am I the one is at the wrong side here?

However in spite of that.....

「I-it's like。It feels like everyone is assuming that Ruiseine really died and that is the odd thing that I was feeling」

With my words、Everyone stopped。

It seems like they were confused。

「Wha-、what are you sayi-.....」

Inea shouted as she placed her ears on Ruiseine's chest。

「Eh、she's alive」

「「「「「HAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAA!?!」」」」」」

The voices of the Hero's party piled up except Inea。

「Wha-wha-wha、what is the meaning of this?」

Serisu-sama's eyes were staggering。

「Uh、uuhm。 Her wound in her abdomen has already healed」

I told them that the Adventurer gave me a versatile panacea.

But the truth is that I used the Versatile Mucus Panacea on her.

I thought that this was the only choice that I had in saving the dying Ruiseine。 That is why I took a small jar from my bag and applied the Versatile Mucus Panacea on Ruiseine's abdomen。

Though it was a make or break situation but as expected of the Versatile Mucus Panacea that the Ancient kind Dragon was proud of。 Since the wound was somehow blocked by it so I became relieved。

Perhaps, did they think that Ruiseine died because my explanation was insufficient and she was wearing a blood stained clothes。 But since Inea buried her face on Ruiseine's chest so I thought that she would have heard Ruiseine's heart beat。

「Since the situation in front of us where in chaos so I didn't notice her small heart beats」

Inea was now crying with another meaning.

From the bottom of despair, they were tragically dropped of again as everyone was drained of their strength。

「Hahaha、so my explanation was still insufficient huh」

「That's truly right」

I was hit by Ristia who gave off a bitter smile。

「Tha-, that hurts」

Slatton had a tired face from my protest.

「Ah、I strangely became tired」

Serisu-sama unusually sat on the ground lazily.

「Uuhh、was it entirely my fault?」

TTTTTT「THAT'S OBVIOUSLY RIGHT」JJJJJJ

Everyone from the Hero party harmoniously said that。

「T-、that's not fairrrrrrrr」

Everyone heard my scream as they began to laughed。

This is not a laughing matter。I also worked hard to my best too。

With my dissatisfied face、only Ristia was the one who comforted me。

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Chapter 14: The boy with a chestnut colored hair

Uhm、I'm Ruiseine・Neferu。

(TLN: How about Mrs. Ruiseine・Isu ?)

Is it already morning? I awoke from my sleep with the fragrant & clear air。

Since I feel like I've been sleeping for a long time & it also felt like I had a deep but momentarily sleep too。

When I slowly raised my heavy eyelids、the focus on my vision has extended。

Inside the place where I was gradually focusing into、I felt a presence of someone at my side。

I moved my glance to that。

Though I still couldn't focus on it correctly but the person at my side had blond hair and was short。I understood that it was Inea。

「Ruiseine」

Suddenly、Inea jumped to my chest and started to cry。

Yo-、you're heavy。

「Hey、Inea。Don't gloss over Ruiseine who is too weak right now」

Ah、though I couldn't see her appearance but it seems like Kiri is also there。
Kiri is scolding Inea as usual。

However、Inea was still crying at my chest。

I wonder why she's doing this?

Other than that、why are these two girls here?

I was confused since I didn't understand the situation。

「Ruiseine、are you alright?」

My vision has finally been fixed as I see that person's appearance、Kiri's appearance has finally been reflected on my eyes clearly。
The cute droopy eyes of Kiri also had some tears on it。

It's like、did I do something for these two girls to worry about me? Since my memories were still vague then so I still couldn't clearly remember.

「Uh Uhm、I.....」

Did my confusion get transmitted to them? 、Kiri started to talk。

「It seems that you haven't understood the current situation huh。First of all、do you want anything like food or any other stuff?」

When she said that、I remembered my hunger。But rather than food、I want something to drink so that is what I want。

「Okay, here」

Kiri took some water from a pitcher on the nearby desk as she passed the glass filled with water to me who was on the bed。
She really is an able girl。
Hero Ristia-kun just has to choose her。

I drank the water and poured it on my throat。
And finally、I felt that I've calmed down。

「Ruisseine、do you remember anything that has happened before you lost consciousness?」

Firi hesitatingly asked that。

Uhm.....

I stared at Inea who was crying on my thighs right now as I searched my memories。
Did I do something that would make Inea cry like this?

I contemplated for a short while。

And I gradually recalled that frightening event。

I who was bloodied as Kiri supported me on her back。

「I'm sorry。 I know that you didn't want to recall it」

To Kiri's kind words、 I gave off a smile。

「That's not true。 I made you worry huh」

I gently patted Inea's head。 Inea's blond hair is really soft and felt so good。

「I was、 I was saved」

Though it was a frightening event but I gradually remembered it。

I wonder how many days has already passed? On that day that we used the ruins for our camping practice。

Since I said that I wanted Inea to accompany the Hero party and Ristia like before、 I reluctantly became alone。

After the demons went out from our first ruins investigation、 we of the holy clergies and the knights of the kingdom with the Hero Ristia has inspected the whole ruins。

Since Inea has gotten closer with Ristia at that time is what I thought。

Ristia-kun、 you really move fast huh。 Is it because of your true colors as a hero。

But I can leave Inea to Ristia-kun。

I who became alone entered the ruins sadly。 What should I do for these 3 days is what I thought about but I also joined Kijirumu-kun and the other several students since we were traveling the same passage way as we walked while talking to each other。

Then we also met with a teacher and walked with him too。

When we were talking while advancing our way in、 we unfortunately encountered those people who were oozing with an ominous aura。

It was me who noticed them quickly。

I'm a war Shrine maiden even if I'm like this and I'm sensitive to the presence of evil and danger。

I warned them of the aura that came from the side & the teacher poised his weapon。

I made a barrier for safety as I protected everyone。

But looking at the result、it would have been good If I ran with everyone after I noticed it。

The people who appeared had an ominous Demon blade with them & they were all 5 Demon blade users。Furthermore、one of them wore a Dark armor from its whole body and I could sense his extraordinary ominous aura。

The teacher who confronted them to protect us was encircled by those 5 people and was slashed by them。

The other students who saw the teacher getting slashed immediately ran away。I think that their decision was right。

With the people who the teacher couldn't even raise a hand to、we wouldn't be able to hold those guys ourselves。

I expanded the barrier & took the teacher inside。
My Holy magic barrier can take people in it and other people would be thrust away。

My barrier stopped and pushed away the Demon blade users、took the teacher、closed up the passage way、as I expanded it so the ones who were running won't be chased。

The 5 demon blade users started too look at me with a large amount of hate because I prevented them from going inside。

Though I felt like my body was cowering too but I desperately healed the teacher with my holy magic。I thought that I was able to save even a single life。

Was the teacher saved?

However、my holy power dried up because I cured the teacher & the barrier was destroyed。

Though we ran while I managed to shot out a holy magic while being a bit dizzy、I was slashed in the abdomen by one of the Demon blade users.....

I shivered as I remembered that & I checked my abdomen which was supposed to have been cut。

I timidly touched it over my clothes as I was surprised that I didn't feel

anything weird。

「Ruisseine's wound was healed by an adventurer who passed by」

Kiri told me that。

Uhm.....was that so ? Though I couldn't remember it since my memories are still fuzzy but it felt like something was wrong。

「For the time being, I shall tell the Shrine maiden head that Ruisseine has awoken」

When she smiled at me who was inclining my head, Kiri went out of the room。

Though I just noticed it right now but this was a private room in the sickroom. This might be inside the temple。

Since I who is a War Shrine maiden didn't participate much in healing so I didn't go to the hospital ward so much. That's why I'm just guessing right now。

I who became like this was still patting the head of Inea who was still sobbing。

「I've worried you huh. But I'm already fine now」

「Okay, I'm the one at fault. This wouldn't have happened if I neatly went with Ruisseine in the ruins」

Inea repeatedly apologized many times while saying that same thing. I'm not troubled about such a thing though. Her apologies didn't stop even when I said that。

I'm a bit troubled right now。

Inea who was crying like a baby。

Though I was troubled with this current situation but couldn't stop thinking about how this child is so cute. She is like a lovable and precious little sister. Eh, wasn't Inea's birthday a bit ahead。

I'm sorry, I'm sorry. I said that as I embraced the crying Inea。

「Look, Since I'm already alright, a lady like yourself shouldn't be crying like that. I'll get angry if you cry like that」

「But, however」

Inea raised her crying face。

Ara-Ara Maa-Maa。 Her eyes were red up until the corner。 How much did this lady cry I wonder。

(TLN: I'm not translating that AraAra since I'm a sucker for Onee-chan talk. Feels so good, bruh)

I smiled as I wiped the tears off Inea's face。

「I'm already safe。 If Inea doesn't go with Ristia from now on then the other bridal candidates would overpass you」

「uuuuu、 that won't happen」

While she was tearing up、 her face got red from embarrassment。 Ah、 she's so cute after all。

I hugged Inea yet again。

Though I was supposed to be an injured person、 why am I in the role of comforting Inea? While thinking so、 I waited for Inea to calm down while embracing her。

While doing so、 Kiri came back to the room。

「Uhm、 Ruiseine」

What are you doing? 、 is what the eyes of Kiri is saying。

「I'm wondering for myself too」

I rubbed the back of Inea as I urged to Kiri。

「The truth is、 Ernea-kun came to visit you.....but since you're still weak、 should I tell him to come on another time」

Ara-Ara Maa-Maa。 For a boy like him to visit me。 While thinking so、 I have regained the remaining memories of mine。

「Uhm、 it would be fine if it's Ernea-kun」

She nodded at my answer & Kiri went out of the room for a second time。

Incidentally、 Ernea-kun was the one who saved me and the teacher from that dangerous situation。

At the time when I was escaping from the Demon blade users inside the ruins、 my abdomen was greatly cut。

Immediately after being slashed, I was already convinced that it was all over. I exhausted all of my holy power though I understood that I had a severe injury. Nevertheless, I still ran away to save the teacher.

However, we couldn't get away while being injured.

They caught up with us as their Demon blades approached.

Ah, we're gonna die. That was what I thought.

Suddenly at that time, something repelled the Dark armored Demon blade user & the Demon blade user next to it was slammed too.

The person that appeared before me while my view was starting to get hazy, it was Ernea-kun.

At that time, my consciousness was already clouded. I saw Ernea-kun was being wrapped in some kind of light.

And thus, Ernea-kun started to dance. It's strange isn't it? It was a battlefield. His enemy was a Demon blade user. However, I looked at Ernea-kun who seemed like he was dancing.

Though it was still a bit rough but it was still really fascinating, and it was a really powerful dance is what my eyes have seen.

And mysteriously, Ernea-kun who was dancing like that was being enshrouded by a deep green colored vapor from beneath the ground as it wildly danced while following and matching it up with Ernea-kun.

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I'm sure that my consciousness is already messed up from what I'm seeing。 It's that Ernea-kun。 That REALLY REALLY SO CUTE Ernea-kun、 is now fighting off a Demon blade user while dancing & I couldn't believe it。 And I saw something even more strange。

「Here you go」

While I was tracing my messy memories、 Kiri came back to the room with Ernea-kun。

「Okay、 Inea。 Let's go out for a bit」

Inea listened as she was taken outside。

「Ah、 I'm sorry」

Ernea-kun cordially bowed to Kiri and went inside the room。

Fufufu。 I unconsciously made a smile when I saw Ernea-kun。

(TLN: Oh no, I'm having this feeling like Ernea's purity is in danger! Where are you Mistral Onee-sama!)

There are a lot of school girls。 No、 All the women in the Amuado Kingdom is attracted to the Hero Ristia-kun。

His height is tall and is handsome and yet he is reliable and gentle too。
As expected of the Hero-sama、 is what I thought。

But in the shadows of that perfect Hero-sama、 there lies another fantastic and superb child。

He was the one who was always fooling around with Ristia-kun。 He would look like the little brother of Ristia-kun if you looked at them。

Is it because he was a bit short for a boy like him。

Though Ristia-kun's blond hair was also beautiful but I like and prefer that child's chestnut colored hair which looked soft too。

Though I can say that his hair was long like Ristia-kun but since his hair was long enough to hide his ears then it would be long as for being a boy。

And that cute smile from his lovely face which looks like it was left from his

young age。 His smile never disappears and was a very expressive boy。

That is、 the boy who is currently visiting me, Ernea-kun。

「Yow、 hey。 How is your physical condition right now? I'm sorry that I had to visit you today」

Ernea-kun had an apologetic face while his eyebrows were in the shape of the letter 人。

「No、 such a thing isn't true」

He obediently sat at the chair beside me at my beckoning。
Fufufu、 he really is obedient and cute。
My motherly instincts are getting tickled。

「On that even、 Thank you for helping us」

「No、 it isn't like that。 I was frantic at that time so I don't remember much either」

Ernea-kun said that as he embarrassingly smiled。

「To be honest、 I have a bit of a request on that time.....I'm sorry that my visit here isn't purely just that」

Really now。 With that cute face of yours、 if you wished for something with that troubled looking face then someone who would refuse you wouldn't be able to do so。

Don't you have any self awareness、 Ernea-kun?

And then、 what would his request be? Is it something that he needed to say to me alone who he has saved on that occasion?

I tilted my head。

「Uhm。 At that time.....The thing when I cured the wound on Ruiseine's stomach、 I want you to keep it a secret」

I retraced my memories。

Ernea-kun who has defeated the Demon blade user & he hurried to where I was。

Ah、 he plastered something on the wound on my stomach。

Though I immediately lost my consciousness when I felt the excruciating pain。

「I told Ristia and everyone that an adventurer that passed by was the one who healed your injury。 Therefore、 I'm asking you to keep the fact that medicine that I cured you with a secret」

I see。 So he cured my injury with a medicine that has a history。
For him to even keep it a secret from the Hero Ristia-kun。 Fufufu。 We'll be sharing a secret together。

With that、 I now understood that weird feeling that I had of the words of Kiri when I awakened。

「Okay。 So it's a secret。 I understand」

With me that was smiling、 Ernea was relieved as he soothed his chest。

「However、 please explain it to me in detail。 About what that medicine was」
「EEEEEEEEEEEEHHHHHHHHH」

To my words、 Ernea was shocked and got confused。

Fufufu、 He's really so cute。
I'm really wondering right now as to why hasn't anyone laid their eyes on such a cute boy like Ernea-kun。
Even if you say that a perfectly handsome guy like the Hero -sama was here then they wouldn't have any awareness like mine。

With the feelings that I have when he saved me from that dangerous event and while looking at Ernea-kun who was moving about in confusion、 I have finally eased off from the bottom of my heart。

Ah、 I'm really glad that I was saved。

Thank you Goddess-sama。

And Ernea-kun too。

Author's Remarks

Okay。 I have a various things to reflect to。

First one。

I forgot to explain the appearance of the Protagonist Ernea-kun。 That was a

great blunder of mine。

Since I'll be giving out more information from now on so please be so kind enough as to revise the things you've thought of from this novel.....

Ernea-kun、He really is a cute kid。

Secondly。

I only gave off a bit of explanation regarding the appearance and the daily life of the other characters。It would be necessary for it to be neatly and normally putting it together at first。

Third。

Should I put out the personality of the other characters? Though I've already decided their personalities as a writer but I haven't finished explaining it。I'll be improving my power in expressing it as I'll be challenging the individuality of every character hereafter。

I am reflecting on the other characters this time。

Am I really writing such a postscript like this right now on purpose? is what I was thinking、I am aware of my problematic points as an author so I would be grateful if everyone would watch over me。

A-a-a-A、AND!!!

Before raising this paragraph、Wow, 11 paragraphs suddenly became 9項 which will be giving me trouble in the future。

Though I made it myself but I wonder of what is its source.....

Thus、while I'm surprised that a lot of people are reading this、I'll be working hard in the future is what I'm thinking。

By all means, my best regards in the future。

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Chapter 15: A person that will kneel while reflecting

「ERNEA-KUN、SIT DOWN ! ! 」

「Wh-、why me?!?」

「KNEEL ! ! 」

「okay」

I knelt at the fluffy moss。

Mistral-san is doing an imposing stance in my presence。

I-、I wonder why I'm beign made to kneel so suddenly like this。

(TLN: That's because you cheated on her and Ristia)

「Kukuku、Thine art rather unfortunate、Ernea」

Old Sleigstar is grinning at another person's misfortune。

He really is enjoying my sorrow、that guy。

Anyways、did I do something that might have ruined Mistral-san's mood?

I started to think backward for a moment。

I of today have went out of my bed after an interval of 3 days。

Since after that event of the first day of the camping training、I became extremely exhausted and went to sleep。

Since people have been seriously injured at the time when the Demon blade users came out in the camp training so it has been cancelled within the half of that day。

And that's why I fell to my bed once I came home from the ruins。

Though I was conscious but I couldn't move due to my weary feeling and the dull pain at my whole body。

(TLN: YAOI INTENSIFIES)

I told everyone that it is the work of an adventurer who has passed by。 I also told them that the one who defeated the Dark armored Demon blade user is the adventurer that passed by。

And before Ruiseine can say that I was the one who cured her、 I wanted to talk to her first。

I was guided by Kiri & we went inside a sickroom where Ruiseine is at。

Though the upper half of Ruiseine's body is raised but her face still didn't look so well。

For such a weakened & just woken up girl to be suddenly have a discussion with me、 how much am I unfair like this。

However when I hesitated a bit and said the purpose of my visit to her、 Ruiseine pleasantly accepted it。

She's such a good girl。

Ruiseine's tone is always polite & gentle。

Ah however、 she said that in exchange for the secret、 she wanted to know about the details of the panacea。

I'm really troubled about that。

The details about it、 it would be bad if I told her about the Versatile Mucus Panacea。 Then I might have to explain the things about Mistral-san & Old Sleigstar too。

Please wait for a bit before I tell you about the details、 is what I told Ruiseine while asking for her forgiveness。

I stretched my legs for a bit after visiting Ruiseine so I went to this plaza of moss。

YEEEP、 so those are the reasons why Mistral-san is angry huh。

Is it because I haven't gone here for a while now？ That wouldn't be it。 Since I already told them that I wouldn't be able to go here for 3 days because of the camping training in the ruins。

Perhaps she is angry because I used the Versatile Mucus Panacea on an irrelevant person? Well for one, that panacea really belongs to the Ancient kind of the dragons Old Sleigstar. However, this might not be it too. Since if they would be angry if it is used then she would have been also angry at the time where we met at the ruins.

D-, do-do, don't tell me. Is she angry because I went to visit Ruiseine? Is it jealousy? Is she really envious, even though it's me.

Ah, however if it was this morning's visit, I haven't even told anyone about it. Other than that, I just came here and she suddenly made me kneel down.

(TLN: Never underestimate the jealousy of BEST GIRL. Maybe she traced the Dragon pulse and saw you cheating on her.....or maybe she was watching your EVERY MOVE.)

Yep, what might it be.

「Hohoho, it has fairly become interesting. With that, even though thine has Mistral already but for thine to suddenly be cheating on her」

「EEEEHHHH, What cheating are you talking about?!?!」

Aaaahh. Old Sleigstar is reading my thoughts once again.

Old Sleigstar is grinning again.

「Ohhhh」

Haaa. Mistral-san's thirst for blood.....

I-, it's scary!!!

(TLN: Called it guys. Hell hath no fury like a Dragon Princess scorned)

「I-, it's a misunderstanding! I'm not cheating on you! Look, it was just the girl who collapsed at the ruins! I just went to visit her! Tha-, That's the truth!」

To me who was in a panic while making excuses, Mistral-san is looking down on me with a freezingly cold gaze.

SCARY, TOO SCARY!

Other than that, wasn't she complaining about our engagement so why is she so angry like this?

「I shall be hearing the details about that later」

「I-i-i、I'll tell you anything you want!」

Did she give me her consent with my words? Mistral-san withdrew her aura of thirst for blood。

Fuuuu。Mistral-san's aura of thirst for blood is truly frightening。I really felt like my lower half wanted to start running away。

「Aside from that、Do you understand why I suddenly made you kneel down?」

With Mistral-san's question、I inclined my head after all。

Though I've been thinking about it a little while ago、I couldn't remember any failure that I did for her to be angry like this。

With my perplexed facial expression、Mistral-san let out a small sigh。

「The way you use the Dragon pulse is dangerous」

「The way I use the Dragon pulse?」

Oh dear、is what Mistral-san looked like she wanted to say as she placed her palm on her chest。

「Don't tell me。Old man?」

With me too thin reaction、Mistral-san turned around to Old Sleigstar and gave him a doubting glare。

Old Sleigstar removed his glance away from it like he was playing innocent and looked at the far sky。

「Old man、Prepare yourself」

Mistral-san approached Old Sleigstar with a strong imposing aura。

「Wait wait wait!」

Old Sleigstar is flustering as he is trying to stop Mistral-san。

「In the first place、one's own still hasn't planned on teaching Ernea the usage of the Dragon ki and how to use the Dragon Blade Dance in combat。He has only learned that it was the Dragon Blade Dance because of thine from last time」

Old Sleigstar is hiding behind the fingers of his forefoot。
Yep、he is also sensing the danger for his own body too。I also understand that。

「In the first place、if you were going to teach him about the Dragon pulse then you should have also taught him about the dangerous facts about it」

「FUHAHAHA、the common sense of the Dragonians don't apply to one's own!」

Though Old Sleigstar says that with dignity but his eyes are completely swirling。

At any rate、so dangerous facts also existed for it。I didn't know it at all。

Mistral-san went at the front of the Gigantic mountain like Old Sleigstar & looked up。

「What would you do if Ernea-kun got broken?」

Uhm。If i did it wrong then would I have been crippled or something like that? To Mistral-san's words、it suddenly became frightening。

「Umu、That is.....」

Old Sleigstar is hesitating。

「To the humans who don't even know even a tiny bit about the Dragon pulse、it is necessary for them to be taught of it carefully。If they knew nothing about its dark side then they would absolutely lose。That is the natural rule、old man。What would we do if the old man didn't teach him about that?」

「Umu、That is exactly the truth」

Old Sleigstar groaned & looked at me。

「One's own is sorry、Ernea。One's own has exposed thine to danger by one's own irresponsibility」

「Uhm。Such a thing。I'm also grateful to you grandpa too、so please don't worry about it」

「You should be worrying about it!」

I who is making a bitter smile、Mistral-san got angry。

Uuuuuuu。but.....even if you say that it's dangerous but I didn't know what kind of danger it is。

「Good grief、you guys are such a pain」

Mistral-san had a face which looked like she is bothered as she looked at me

and Old Sleigstar。

「Kakaka、it's already finished。Isn't it alright already?」

Old Sleigstar laughed。

I think that Old Sleigstar's thought this time is right。

I wonder what dangers is Mistral-san talking about。But that thing however is already finished。

If there are things that I have to know with the Dragon pulse then I should just listen to it now while being alert from now onward。

「Oh、Ernea。Thine has understood it correctly」

It seems like Old Sleigstar was also thinking the same thoughts as me。

「Hey、Ernea-kun! You're letting him read your mind too much。I've already scolded you about that last time。Moreover, if you don't neatly start to talk then I wouldn't be able to understand your conversations」

Good grief、is what Mistral also said with her words。

Even if you say that、I'm not sure on how to not let my thoughts get read。

「If that is so then just get Mistral to teach thine」

「Okay。I'll do so」

「I just said it a while ago but stop talking with your thoughts!」

Mistral-san It out a large sigh。

A dejected Mistral-san is also beautiful。

I looked at Mistral-san while kneeling down。

Other than that、did Mistral-san not notice that kneeling down like this wasn't significant?

The layers of the moss is thick so it doesn't hurt even if I am kneeling like this。I didn't think that there are no bad points for this except the numb feeling。

「Well then」

Mistral-san came to where I am yet again。

「While I'm explaining、let's go for a stroll」

Mistral-san said that as she took my hand and helped me to get up。
I thought that she was angry but it suddenly became a stroll。
I couldn't follow the development of our conversation。

「A stroll?」

「Yes、that is so」

「Hoho、A date huh」

Mistral-san ignored Old Sleigstar who is teasing us & she started to walk towards the forest of old trees while holding my hands and dragging me along with her。

I couldn't imagine that Mistral-san's hands which was swinging that blunt weapon would be this delicate and a bit warm。

My heart suddenly started to beat faster。
Since I haven't held hands with a girl yet、I became a bit nervous。

At the front of Old Sleigstar's tail where the Spirit Tree stood tall is where the forest of old trees was and the direction where Mistral-san and I are walking to。

「Mistral、choose a good one」

「Yes、I know」

Immediatley before we entered the forest、Mistral-san and Old Sleigstar exchanged their words that I couldn't understand。

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Chapter 16: Stroll

Mistral-san & I are walking in the forest of old trees as we held each others hands。

Ah、my heart feels like it's gonna burst。I'm sure that my face is bright red right now。

I'm nervous and shy。But I'm also excited too。

I wonder why am I having a stroll with just me and Mistral-san in the forest of old trees?

Isn't Mistral-san also getting nervous while holding my hands?

What might she be thinking?

While I am thinking inside of my pink brain、Mistral-san dragged my hands as we went deeper within the forest of old trees。

Though Mistral-san is scary when she is angry but she's really a gentle Onee-chan。

Even if I said this or that、she is still worried about me。

The reason why she was angry a while ago too is because she was worried about me too。

If Mistral-san would become my bride then I might become a happy man。

I would hold hands with Mistral-san and have a stroll in the forest of old trees everyday.....

I enjoyed the pink flowered imaginations in my mind while strolling。

However、I haven't had said a single word or talked to Mistral-san after we entered the forest。

Hmm。

When I began to notice the sorrowful reality、Mistral finally stopped walking。

She lowered her waist at a fallen tree as she urged me to sit at her side。

「E-、excuse me then」

「Fufufu、why are you so nervous like that?」

At my awkward movements、Mistral-san smiled。

「Th-、that is、For me to be alone and take a stroll with such a beautiful girl such as yourself、of course I'll be nervous」

「Ara、Ernea-kun is quite sweet with his words」

While saying so、Mistral started to prepare some drinks。

「Hawawa。I'm sorry。I became arrogant with my words there」

I was blasted off my pink flowered imaginations。I seem to have blurted something outrageous。

While I received the cup where Mistral-san put the water、my face became bright red。

Mistral-san told me that I'm really cute as she patted my head。

I became more nervous as my body hardened。

Without minding me who has hardened while holding the cup filled with water、Mistral-san kept on patting my head。

「Ernea-kun's hair is really fluffy and soft」

Hawawawa。Mistral-san、what are you doing? I became perplexed。

「Uhm。The thing about the engagement that the Old man said。I thought about it a bit」

When doing so、Mistral-san abruptly changed the topic of our conversation。

「Yes」

I started to become nervous again。

Am I going to get rejected? Would it be so? That might be it。 Since I'm just a human with no redeeming features & Mistral-san is a Dragonian who held the title of the Dragon Princess。

We aren't suited for each other o I didn't have any qualifications for her。

My imagination of a flowery pink garden radically changed as it became darker and the flowers started to rot。

「I」

Gokuri, as I swallowed my saliva。

「I, I think that I'm also alright with it too」

What are you alright with?

Is she saying that it's alright for me to ignore Old Sleigstar's words?

With that, does she mean that we should treat the engagement itself like it didn't exist from the start?

My heart sank into the darkness。

At the time when the engagement came out, Mistral-san was really troubled by it huh。 She seems to see it as something troublesome。

Though I noticed it too but I wanted to also dream about it for a bit。
Perhaps, I would be able to marry this person。

However, I wouldn't be able to obtain the thing that I have not made an effort to get it。
Since Ristia who has many brides is the result that he got from his achievements。

「What does Ernea-kun think about it?」

Mistral took a peek at me and asked that。

「I am.....」

I'm not suited for Mistral-san。
I'm helpless with only these feelings of mine。
Mistral-san's feelings are important too。
Marriage is not an easy thing that would be done with just a one-sided

unrequited love。

The relationship of Mistral-san & me。 The engagement that Old Sleigstar made without our permission。 For such a weak person like me、 I would just be a pest for Mistral-san。

I who wasn't making any effort。

This is、 haven't I already understood the right answer completely?

I erased my doubts & stood up from the fallen tree。

I shouted out。

「I shall become a man that will be suited for Mistral-san。 I'll do any effort for that。 That's why、 I WANT TO MARRY YOU ! ! 」

I wanted to。 To marry Mistral-san。

If I haven't gave enough effort yet then please give me a chance to make an effort。 I'm sure that I'll become a man that will be suited for The Dragon Princess Mistral-san。

Even if it's a engagement that Old Sleigstar just made without permission but I still wanted to take that chance that was given to me。

.....Now I've done it。 After shouting、 my body hardened from embarrassment and awkwardness。

Mistral-san was surprised as her eyes were widely oped。

And Mistral-san also stood up from the fallen tree。

「Uhm。 Okay、 I'll be in your care from now on」

She said that as she clasped my hands。

「EEEEEEEEEEEEEEEEHHHHHHHHHHH ! ! 」

I was surprised。

「Wh-、 why are you so surprised like that?」

Mistral-san was surprised as I was surprised as she backed away a bit。

「That's、 that's because」

While my face became bright red、 I told Mistral-san about what I thought her

words meant。

Though it was embarrassing but since she couldn't read my thoughts like Old Sleigstar then it wouldn't be good if I don't neatly say it with my mouth。

「I understand、I have said my words in an easily misunderstood manner」

Mistral-san made a wry smile。

「I'm alright with advancing with the matter of our engagement is what I meant。If that is alright with Ernea-kun too」

「Ah、I have misunderstood that」

「No、the way I expressed it was at fault」

We mutually apologized to each other as it became embarrassing for us to meet our glances。

Uhm、this is。

This means that the engagement shall be heading off to a good direction now。Which means that Mistral-san is going to be with me。

My heart has shown its first time on beating so loud。
Not only my face but wasn't my ears, hands or my whole body really bright red right now。

「S-、shall we have a seat?」

With Mistral-san's suggestion、we started to sit again。

I suddenly felt thirsty so I chugged the the water that I had。

「To be honest、I was bewildered when that old man suddenly talked about the engagement。I was wondering on what was that old man saying。Since not only was it me but he rolled Ernea-kun with it and it might trouble him is what I thought」

Mistral-san drank some water too。

「I'm sure that Ernea-kun is troubled by it。Since I'm a Dragonian too & I'm also older than you。I'm a dangerous girl who would flay a blunt weapon around & I'm not as cute as Ernea-kun too。To suddenly be married to such a girl that he has just met for the first time then he is likely to be more troubled by it」

Mistral-san also talked about it。

「I see、we were thinking of the same thing」

「That's right」

Mistral-san & I gave off a wry smile。

「However、If it's alright with Ernea-kun、this talk about our engagement、I was worried if it would be alright to go with it.....」

Was that so?

So the meaning of her silence a while ago when we entered the forest of old trees was because she was worrying whether to talk about our engagement or not。

She's really brave。Since I also needed a large amount of courage for what I said a while ago so I also understood。

「I'm really sorry。I should be the one who should have started this talk as a man」

「No、Since I'm the caretaker of the old man and I'm also older than you so it's my duty to be the one who should start this talk」

Mistral-san who shakes her head。

「A-、anyways。Ernea, you only have to continue on what you're doing」

Mistral-san says so while her face was burning red。
She was a beautiful girl usually but her embarrassed appearance is truly cute。

「The question is、since I'm already fine with the this engagement then it now depends on the final answer of Mistral-san」

I'm feeling a bit uplifted too much right now so some words that I wouldn't be saying usually came out of my mouth。

「Oh my。However、you need to make some efforts too、for various reasons」

Mistral-san teasingly says so & I started to panic。

That's right、I vowed to work hard in order for me to become a man that is suited for Mistral-san。

「Well then、for my final answer、I'll be watching Ernea-kun and shall make my decision on your actions」

「Tha-, that's too muchhhh」

Fufufu、whispered Mistral-san as she gave off a smile。

「In that case、for the first step for you to become a man that is worthy of me」

After the drums beat。

「Shall we stop using honorifics?」

Yep yep is what Mistral-san says as she nodded herself。

「I-, I understand」

「Hmm?」

「Ye-, yeah、okay」

「Fufufu、you're tone isn't like that Ernea-kun」

Mistral-san、nope、Mistral was still looking at me while I'm still blushing while being sulky。

「Muuu、it's too hard to suddenly change my tone like that」

To me who was being sulky、Mistral started to approach me。

「In the commemoration of our compromise for each other」

She said。

Mistral's lips met with mine in an instant。

FUAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAA ! ?

My mind blasted off to the skies as it started to melt and almost disappeared。

What the meow。What the meow just happened?

it was only an instant so I didn't understand。

「I haven't prepared my heart for that yettt。Please give me one more ! 」

I requested a reproduction of what just happened。For the purpose of making my heart heat up again、I'll be in your care once again。

I didn't understand it since it was just a single second so please make it longer this time。

However, my earnest desire was futile as Mistral spin around to my back as she began to have a stroll yet again。

「Ah、wait for me」

I followed after her while panicking。

Then when she neatly stopped and waited for me、she held my hand yet again。

Mistral wasn't showing her embarrassed appearance from a while ago right now as she has returned to her dignified look。

She really is a beautiful woman after all。

Her mature atmosphere really suited her unlike me。

Will I someday become a man that will be suited for this person?
Other than that、if I didn't then I wouldn't be able to marry Mistral。
Do your best、me。Don't lose this time, me。
I began to cheer myself for my bright future !

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Chapter: 17 Let's use it while following the usage & dosage

We continued our stroll as Mistral pulled my hand。

Yep。Mistral、I can't seem to get accustomed to calling her like that。But if I don't say it like this in my mind then my mouth would accidentally say "Mistral-san"。

If I called her with a "-san" then it would seem like there's still some distance between us & it would be bad for us to have some distance since we just became intimate a while ago。

With that、I'll now be trying to say her name。

「Okay、Ernea」

「Yes、Mistral-san!」

「HMMMM?」

Haaaaaaa。

That was a swift attack。

I'm so miserable。

「Uhm、uh。What is it、Mistral?」

「Fufufu、that tone isn't yours」

「Guuu、I was just in a hurry」

At my strange tone、Mistral smiled。

「Time to get a grip。Ernea」

「Okay」

With my restless mind、Mistral used a serious tone so I became nervous。

「About the Dragon pulse、shall we discuss it for a bit」
「Incidentally、I had to take note of some facts about it huh」
「Yes」

That was so。I forgot。
While we were strolling、it would be bad for me to not ask Mistral about the details of the Dragon pulse。

「Have you gotten accustomed in using the Dragon pulse?」

To Mistral's question、I inclined my head。

「I'm not sure。Though from the past、I can now feel the Dragon pulse easier」
「Easily、huh。Originally though the Dragonians would need to train for years in order to just feel the Dragon pulse」

Ah、Old Sleigstar said such a thing at first incidentally。

「For a human like Ernea、you seem to be an unusual genius」
(TLN: Just like my damned Chinese novels! Just call me Missere Yun Ernea Che)

If Mistral says that to me then I would start to think if I'm really such a special existence。

「However。Ernea。For that reason、You have to be more careful in using the Dragon pulse」

Though we are still walking inside the forest of dragons、Mistral turned around and faced me with a serious expression。

「Is it really so dangerous? 」
「I'm not sure if it's dangerous。For Ernea as of today」

Mistral tightened her grip on my hand。Mistral's hands really are warm。

「Ernea。Do you know what happens when a human drinks Sake? 」

Oh my。Our conversation seems to have jumped。
(TLN: I think she's planning on getting you drunk and uses that chance to take advantage of your shota powerlessness)

「They would get drunk」
「That's right。Then that drunk person would want to drink some more Sake。

Then it would become a poison for that person is what the old people say. The following question is this. Do you know what happens to the sorcerers and Shrine maidens that have used up all of their powers?」

「Uhm. I learned this at the seat study in my school. They would be in a temporary weakened state & they would fall asleep for how many days is what they taught me」

「Correct」

After defeating the ghosts, I remembered the thing about Ristia falling asleep for how many days after he used up all of his magical power.

However, what is the connection of those two questions?

「A person who uses Magical power is a sorcerer & a user of Holy power is called a Shrine maiden. The same as that, The Dragonians and the Dragons are the ones who possess Dragon power」

I nodded as Mistral continued speaking.

「Magical power, Holy power & Dragon power are powerful things that are used to make techniques and these powers aren't visible to the naked eye, do you understand what I'm saying」

「Uhm, what is the difference of it with the Dragon ki?」

At my question, Mistral properly explained it to me. She's so kind.

「It would be fine if you just think of the Dragon Ki as the Dragon pulse that is circulating inside one's body. Dragon power is the Dragon pulse that is stored inside the body」

I see, so it is a power that is stored up in one's body. Since I was scooping up the Dragon pulse & immediately turning it into power from the start so I haven't thought about storing it up inside me .

Then the Magical power & the holy power are the stored up power in one's body for the sake of using it to make magic or holy magic is what it means to be.

To my appearance that says that I've understood it, Mistral continued to speak.

「An ancient kind of Dragon like the old man has an in-measurable amount of

Dragon power。 Next ones are the Dragons。 The old aged dragons and the Dragonians also possesses a huge amount of Dragon power but not like the Ancient kinds。 For the dragonians、 well it's just normal。 Well、 since the Shrine maidens and the Sorcerers have difference individually then we also to have something like that」

「Ohhh、 that is so」

Though they said that if a Dragonian doesn't train then they won't be able to feel the Dragon pulse but they would still have Dragon power since they're dragonians。

「And with that、 Ernea」

Mistral stopped walking for a moment & looked at me with a serious face on。

「In general、 Humans don't possess Dragon power」

「Eh?」

(TLN: Mistral said “NAI WA” in this conversation.....KUMOKO!)

Towards the unexpected remark of Mistral、 I got surprised。

Then、 is it me not storing up the Dragon pulse in my body?

「Correct、 you are not able to store the dragon pulse inside your body」

She anticipated my surprise so Mistral said。

「And for that reason is why we're here」

Mistral took my other hand that was empty & gave an even more serious stare at me。

「A human like you that doesn't have any Dragon power is scooping up the Dragon pulse and is immediately turning it into Dragon ki。 Well then、 we used the Sake for our talk a while ago, right?」

「Yeah」

「You as of now can be compared to a man drinking Sake。 The thing that you have in your presence is Sake which is the Dragon pulse & you are still aware of your limitation as you drink it。 You start to desire more as you drink which is you start to want to scoop more Dragon pulse so the Sake starts to become poison to your body」

「Uhhm、Is that so?」

Since I wasn't aware of that completely、I was astonished。I'm certain that I would only scoop out the amount that I only needed is what I thought。

But that seems to be that case if you would look at it。At the time when the Demon blade users appeared at the ruins、though I was planning on using my powers discreetly but I'm not sure on how much power I used up at the second half of the fight。

「And next。You've heard of the people that have used up all their Magical power or holy power, am I right?」

「Y-、yes」

From the flow of our current conversation、I felt an unpleasant thing was coming。

「When their Magical power and Holy power dries up、their physical condition would be weakened。That is the same with the Dragons and Dragonians。If their Dragon power dries up、our physical condition would also be weakened and some would lose consciousness」

「Though they differed with their powers but they shared the same losing consciousness symptoms」

「Correct。And with that。You do not have any Dragon power」

「Y-、yeah。That's right」

I've been sweating up。
And Mistral left on note。

「In short、since you're not storing the Dragon pulse inside your body then you have been repeating the two processes which is replenishing and exhausting up the Dragon power in your body」

I found no word to say。

I just easily took scooped the Dragon pulse & changed it into Dragon ki so I could use it since I thought that it's alright for me to use it since I could do it so easily。

However、since I've been using up the Dragon pulse like that every time then that would be the time that I'm running out of Dragon power。

Since I didn't have any power originally then that's why it comes to the。

When doing that、the reason that I fell unconscious at once when I returned home from the ruins is because my body became dry & weakened。

「Since it was still a small bit of power then you're just fine for this time。 But if it were a large amount of power which was used for a long time then you're life might have been endangered」

Mistral looked at me anxiously。

If I overdid it when I'm already in a weakened state then it would affect my own life。

Sorcerers who died while overworking themselves is something that I have read in the newspaper too。

The fact that Mistral came to the ruins is because she was worried about Old Sleigstar's guess that I have used the Dragon pulse in a wrong way。

I trembled at the size of this information。

And I who was like that was gently hugged close by Mistral。

「Don't do excessive things from now on alright?」

「Okay」

However、if that is so then I'm anxious about something。

「Then、why did Old Sleigstar teach me about the Dragon pulse」

Of course Old Sleigstar knew the fact that I didn't have any Dragon power。 Nevertheless、why did he still teach it to me knowing that it's dangerous。

「That is」

Mistral taught it to me while still gently hugging me closely。

「The Dragon pulse is a power that one has to feel and scoop it out。 And changing it into Dragon ki is an indispensable requirement for the Dragon Blade Dance。 The old man wanted to award you with the Dragon Blade Dance。 That is why he has been teaching you the needed stuff for it」

「But、it's dangerous for me who didn't have any Dragon power」

「That's right。 Therefore、the first thing that he has taught you is meditation」

I looked up at the face of Mistral who was so close that we would come into contact with just a small nudge。

「It is the same as Sake。 Though you would get drunk when drinking Sake at first since you're not used to it yet but if you get used to it bit by bit then you'll be fine。 The old man told you to feel the Dragon pulse while meditating and become accustomed to it」

Yep、 I nodded

「Then when you became accustomed to it、 he now made you remember to train in turning it into Dragon ki」

「However、 isn't it bad since I didn't have any Dragon power so I'll be repeating the states of replenishing & exhausting?」

「That's right & that's why he just told you to use it while increasing the usage bit by bit and so this is what he wanted you to get used to huh」

「Uhm、 is it a thing that can be gotten accustomed to?」

Would I be experiencing that weakened state again?

「Well、 how can I explain it?」

Mistral gave a troubled face while explaining it。

Since Mistral inclined her head、 her hair touched my face。 Her Nearly silver blonde hair was thin. smooth delicate & smelled very good。

「When Ernea was training the Dragon pulse and changing it into Dragon ki then you have learned oh how to make it circulate inside your body, am I right?」

「Yeah、 I learned it which is you should take the Dragon pulse first of all and circulate it into your body so it will turn into Dragon ki」

「Correct。 That is an essential thing。 By making it circulate in your body then your mind & body will recognize it as Dragon Ki。 When doing so、 your instincts will get accustomed to it so you would be able to produce it afterwards」

「In short、 I who has no Dragon power at first would be able to produce it afterwards」

「You've greatly understood it」

Mistral smiled as she patted my head。

Though I could say that some girls are happy when their heads are often patted

but it seems like that's the same for guys too。

When Mistral pats my head like this then I feel like I'm becoming younger again。

「If you're able to produce Dragon power then you'll be able to accumulate it too。 When doing so then the danger of dying would be lost when you would use it until you become dry」

「Yep、 That's so」

So the meditation training had such a deep reason like this huh。 I was surely thinking that the most essential thing was feeling the Dragon pulse。

「Okay、 then we'll be starting the questions」

「Uuuuu、 I'm not good with questions」

「Fufufu、 I'll be punishing you if you get something wrong。 Well then、 From our current conversation、 What are the important things that you need to be careful about?、 bring it all up together」

A summary question huh。 I'm really not good with that。

「Uuhm。 In short.....In case of my state today、 it would be dangerous for me to be in a dried up state of Dragon ki when training it。 My life would be in danger if I did something excessive while being in a weakened state。 Even if I say that I'm able to scoop out the Dragon pulse、 I shouldn't recklessly scoop it out。 I should continue my meditation training & try to make Dragon power in which that's all of it right?」

「Correct。 You've greatly understood it」

To my answer、 Mistral smiled satisfactorily。

I've been thinking too much about easily scooping out the Dragon pulse and using Dragon ki。 So that's why Mistral was angry a while ago。 I'll be reflecting on it。

「Since I did it well then I want a reward」

I demanded。 That。 I want **THAT**。

However, Mistral has sensed my evil desire and looked down on me with a cold glare。

「My lips aren't cheap」

Gyafun。I became sad at my expectations。

She looked at me who has gotten depressed as Mistral giggled and smiled。

「Here、though it isn't a reward but were almost near our destination」

Mistral liberated me from her embrace & pointed her finger ahead of the forest of old trees。

I looked at where she was pointing at。

At the place where she has pointed at、the trunk of the Spirit tree was visible。

Before I was aware、Mistral & I had come to the side of the Spirit Tree。

Since it was too gigantic and it's trunk was too fat then I have already seen it as a part of the scene so I wasn't able to recognize it。

「Our destination is the Spirit tree ? 」

「Yes、we will be looking for something there」

「Looking for something ? Did you lose something here ? 」

「Fufufu、That's not it。Just wait for it」

Mistral gave insinuating words。

Incidentally、Mistral and Old Sleigstar had a short and hard to understand conversation before we departed to the forest of old trees。

What might it be。I think that they're evading my questions。

While my mind was in another place、Mistral took my hand once again & started to walk again。

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Chapter: 18 Small life

We finally came to the base where the Spirit Tree is rooted。 Like the plaza of moss、 the surroundings old trees suddenly cuts off away from the Spirit Tree as i looked like a vacant land where the weeds started to grow。

I looked up at the trunk of the Spirit Tree that has grown so big vertically。 It has grown isn't a term that can be used on it though。 It is towering all over it's surroundings so I can't find any word the could describe its size。

If we tried to encircle its surrounding trunk、 I wonder how much time would it take us? Since some of its roots have already come out from the ground as it crawled everywhere then it would take us a considerable amount of time to do that。

「So、 what are we going to do here ? 」

I asked Mistral who is also looking up at the Spirit Tree。
Maybe Mistral is also feeling the grandeur of the Spirit Tree。

「That's right.....For the time being、 let's have a stroll around the trunk while looking at the surroundings」

「EEEHHHHH、 around THIS TRUNK ! ? 」

From the situation that I was just thinking about a moment ago、 I got a bit pulled out of it。 Since if you would think about it then wouldn't it take us a large amount of time to do that is what I thought about but it would actually take physical strength and time to walk around it。

「Are you really really sure ? 」

「I'm really really sure」

Mistral radiantly asserted。

「Did we come here for the purpose of looking at the surroundings of the Spirit Tree & its trunk?」

「You're wrong。 It is for the purpose of finding something」

「What are we searching for then?」

「I don't know、 maybe it depends on Ernea」

Well now、 I wonder what she meant by it depends on me? Since I've only come here for the first time then of course I wouldn't have lost anything here。

「For the time being、 let us go」

She didn't bother with my doubt as Mistral began to walk。

I followed after her in a panic。

「While were walking、 tell me if you feel something strange, okay? For instance、 if you're anxious about the skin of that trunk over there or that branch over there」

The thing that I'm really currently anxious about is this situation。 While thinking of that、 I started to walk with Mistral while letting my gaze upon anywhere in search of something that will catch my interest。

.....I'm not especially curious about anything。

Would it be bad if I'm not anxious about anything?

「Does Mistral often come here ? 」

Since it would be a waste if we would just walk like this then I talked to Mistral。

Look for the thing that makes you anxious without talking、 is what I thought she would say while being angry but Mistral didn't seem like she was 。

「Me too、 this would be my second time coming here。 Each care taker from the past up to now would come here for only once」

「Ohh。 So Mistral also hardly comes here。 So this place is really an amazing place huh」

「That's right。 Since this is the main place where the Spirit Tree is rooted so this place is really a special sacred place。 We would be able to go here if we didn't

have the permission of the old man」

We conversed while looking at our surroundings with curiosity as we kept on strolling。

So this is a really sacred place huh。 The atmosphere in here is certainly very clear。 I could also feel the overwhelming aura of the Spirit Tree from the side as I feel it's majestic figure。

Though the Temple that Ruiseine & the others are residing at also has a sacred atmosphere around it but that feels like it was man made。 The temple which is made out of stone feels like it has a man made feeling in it。

However in this place、 I can really feel the pure sacredness here。 I feel like I should never be clumsy in here。

「Mistral can also feel the sacredness of this place after all?」

「Yes、 of course。 Though the place where the old man is in feels sacred too but this place is more special。 This place is where the Spirit Tree with a strong and large amount of vitality and the Dragon pulse can really be felt in here」

「Ohhh。 So this place is really an amazing place after all」

I somehow agreed & breathed deeply。

The scene of the early morning here is like time has stopped & the dust that flutters everywhere isn't in sight which makes this place really feel clean。

When I deeply took a breath、 I became totally refreshed。

「At the last time when Mistral came here、 what did you do at this place?」

「It's the same as you today。 I was here to look for something」

「No。 I didn't lose anything at this place。 Is this a place where things that are lost can be found? 」

「Fufufu。 You're entirely wrong。 For the time being、 just believe in your instincts as you search for something that would tickle your curiosity」

Mistral smiled on me who was inclining my head & she continued to move forward。

「Though I'll also be cooperating but your intuition will be the most important above all」

「My intuition is more important than Mistral's? 」

「Correct」

For mine to be more important than Mistral's who excels at me in everything so I'm beginning to be doubtful about this。

While I enjoyed having a conversation with Mistral afterwards、I looked up and down。I looked at the fat roots of the Spirit Tree while also staring at the bark of its trunk & I also concentrated my eyes on the far distant branches in the sky。I would occasionally glance at the direction of the forest of old trees as I strolled。

Though I'm sure that we've walked an excellent amount of distance now but since talking with Mistral is fun & I couldn't feel tired since I'm being filled with strength by the holy atmosphere of this place。

And did I not find anything that's bothering me is what I muttered as I continued to walk but near my ears、I felt a soft wind like a presence is calling for me。

Since this plaza has nothing but weeds growing here with the exception of the Spirit Tree but a clear wind would sometimes blow at this place。However、I felt that the wind a while ago has a different feeling than a normal breeze so I halted。

What might it be。I feel like someone is stopping me and trying to call for me。

Mistral noticed my change as she also stopped walking near me。

Fuwari。

I felt the presence again。

I somehow turned my gaze to the thing that I'm anxious about。

The trunk of the Spirit Tree、that place where the roots of it has stretched out。Ahead of that place which is an open field filled with weeds、there was a single small sapling growing over there。

Compared to the Spirit Tree、it doesn't feel like a normal sapling。

There were several leaves on the tip of some of it's branches。There were two cute ivies twisted upon its roots。

「Mistral、that」

I pointed at that small tree。

Mistral turned her gaze at where I'm pointing at。And she showed a surprised

expression。

「For such a place to have an infant tree like that.....Though I was attentive of the surroundings while looking everywhere but I didn't notice that at all」

Moreover、Mistral said so while walking to the infant tree。I also walked with her。

「This is exactly an infant tree of the Spirit Tree。This is the first time I've ever saw one」

When I & Mistral went near to the infant tree、we crouched down and looked at it。

The height of the small tree is the same as from my feet to my chest while I'm crouching。Its trunk might be thinner than my arms。Its branches would seem to break if a strong wind blew。The several leaves that is desperately clinging to the branches looked lovely。

「Is this small tree the one that you've become anxious with in your intuition？」

「Well」

Was it my intuition? I don't have any good confidence in saying it。

「I felt its soft presence near my ear。Thereupon、I turned my gaze to the place where I felt it and the small tree was there」

To my vague explanation、Mistral nodded which seemed like she's convinced about it。

「Okay。That's alright。However、for you to find this one」

Mistral looked at me and the small tree while being deeply moved。

「Then let's take this home」

「Eeehhh。We'll be taking this home？」

We'll be taking this cute small tree home? Wouldn't it snap if we did that? is what I thought while being surprised but Mistral spouted out。

「We'll properly dig out the roots too and bring it home。With that、this small tree wouldn't be able to grow more in this place so it would also be for its sake

when we bring it home」

「It wouldn't grow up in this place？」

「Correct。 Because the Spirit Tree is in this place。 Since it would take up all of the nutrients and the Dragon pulse in this place so the share of this small tree would be gone」

「Is that so?」

The struggle for nourishment。 The mother tree wouldn't hold back since this child tree is in its territory as I realized the strictness and severity of nature's law。

「Now then、 Let's dig it up and take it home」

Mistral nodded at my decision & we began to dig up the soil around the small tree。

The soil is very soft & it's really good that our hands wouldn't hurt even when were just digging it up with our bare hands。

When we dug it up a bit deeper、 the roots have already appeared。 Thereupon, Mistral uprooted the infant tree with each of its ivy that is twisted at it from the soil。

「Ernea, return the soil that we dug up back to its place」

Mistral began to take off her coat as she said that。

WaaWaa。 I got flustered。 Why are you suddenly taking it off! I'll be bothered if you do it at a place where I can see it。

I averted my glance while in panic、 I who was pretending like that, tried to take a glimpse of it。

「Ernea」

Mistral glanced at me with frozen cold eyes。

「You're really a boy」

Mistral gave off a wry smile。

「Ahahaha」

I also gave off a bitter smile。

Though Mistral took off her coat but there's another clothes in it that she has worn. Since the hot season has slowly coming now so I thought that she would have only wore a single clothes.

Though I felt a little bit of disappointment but isn't it good that I didn't have to avert my glances. Let's not deeply think about disappointing things.

I re-gripped my senses so I buried the hole we dug up.

Mistral placed the soil and the Small tree in the coat that she took off and poured the remaining water in her flask on it.

When we finished both of our works, we went back to the plaza of moss.

Mistral carefully held and carried the small tree.

Honestly speaking, I felt relieved.

Since, it's roots has reached the bottom of the soil even if you say its a small tree. It really looked heavy. I think that the I already failed since I'm incompetent.

Though Mistral is a girl is what I'm thinking while feeling useless but a Dragonian like Mistral clearly is more powerful.

When she looked upon me who had a face like I failed on something, Mistral kindly smiled.

「This time, well. Just leave it to me. So just become a reliable man in the future」

Mistral smiled while muttering her fufufu as she saved my soul yet again. Surely someday, I'll become a man that Mistral would rely on.

I returned to the forest of old trees with my determination and empty hands.

「Hohou. For thine to be able to find a small tree of the Spirit Tree」

When we reported to him after returning to the plaza of moss, Old Sleigstar seemed a bit shocked.

So Old Sleigstar would also be surprised huh.

When Mistral put out the small tree in front of Old Sleigstar, Old Sleigstar got interested and narrowed his eyes as he brought his face up close to it。

「Fuuuuuuuuu」

「Aaaahhhh、What are you doing?」

「Old man」

When I thought that he was just gazing at it closely, this grandfather。He suddenly breathed like a gale at the infant tree。

It blasted on the infant tree and it got blown off。It flew up to the edge of the forest of old trees。

Mistral & I were in panic as we went to pick up the infant tree。

「Kakaka。You two have gotten closer it seems」

He didn't appear to be worried about the frantic me and Mistral as Old Sleigstar looked at us and pleasantly laughed。

This isn't a situation where you should be laughing。

We chased the infant tree and protected it。

It's good that it's safe。There wasn't even a single wound on the infant tree。Even a single leaf didn't fall。The ivies on the root is safe。It seems to be a strong child。

I held and carried the infant tree and returned to the plaza。

「Ernea。Return for today after leaving the infant tree there」

As Mistral returned to the plaza, she unsheathed the one handed lacquer black rod。

「Wa、waitwaitwaitwait。Do not jump into a hasty conclusion。Thine should be able to understand one's own if thine converses with one's own」

He is panicking as his feet began to make a commotion, Old Sleigstar was flustered。

That is the consequence of your deeds。Even I too am looking at Old Sleigstar with white eyes。

Other than that, I wouldn't be able to go home without Old Sleigstar's space

transfer magic。

「Old man、transfer Ernea first of all。 We'll be having our slow conversation afterwards」

Mistral slammed the one handed rod at the ground while saying so。

So-、SO SCARY。

Old Sleigstar withdrew his face、 as he still obediently tried to transfer me as he kneaded the Dragon ki。

After I placed the infant tree at some distance、 I was teleported by the space transfer magic。

I was wrapped in a shining gold light。

Before I closed my eyes from its brilliance、 I saw Old Sleigstar who was running away and the approaching Mistral。

.....Let's not make Mistral angry from now onward。
Inside the light、 I determined that decision of mine。

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Chapter 19: Wyvern Knight Battalion

「Hey、you're still recovering yet where are you going?」

Haaaa、mother says as she sighs。

That's what I should be doing。It's already evening when Old Sleigstar has transferred me home。

Various things happened today so I forgot the passage of time。

Questioning of the great one of this country? What's that, is it delicious? Since I was asleep at that time、I just pretended that I didn't know that Mother was the one that refused them。

Afterwards、I stepped into the bath after 3 days。Uuhm、Didn't I smell bad? Though I received a lot of hugs from Mistral but I became embarrassed a bit late。What would I do if she thought that I'm a stinky guy?

(TLN: Plot twist: Mistral has a smell fetish)

I rose up from the bath while being depressed & had my supper。Since Father would be going home late because of his work so it was only the two of us who ate supper together。

These several days、since I haven't taken any fruits from the forest these days so the past scenery of our table has returned。

I'll be getting some fruits at the next time。

After our meal、Though I talked to Mother about the happenings inside the ruins but Mother didn't give any questions to me。It looks like she's taking care of me who is still recovering。Mother is really kind。

I've been thinking about it but it seems like all the girls I'm close with are really nice。

Though there are girls who are strong minded in our school but I really prefer nice girls after all。

(TLN: I hate nice girls – Hikigaya Hachiman)

It became the time for retiring to bed while I was thinking so, my Father came really late so I greeted him goodnight as I went to sleep。

The next morning。

While I was going to school as usual, I saw something unusual。

It was the Wyvern formation of the Dragon knights of our neighbor country Yorutenitosu。

When looking up at it, about ten Wyverns turned their direction unto east and flew。

Though the Wyverns were a threat at the north where the Wyvern hunting grounds are but it seems like those Wyverns are from the Dragon knights of the east。

A single knight descended from the Wyvern formation as it rotated around the eastern sky。

That is the signal for asking permission to pass over the skies of the capital of the Amuado kingdom。

Surely at this time, there would be a guy in a good high place in the castle that is now waving the signal flag。

After the one who was rotating finished the signal, it joined the Wyvern formation again & they all flew to the Kingdom's castle。

They looked so awesome。

If you were a boy then you would admire them too。The dragon knights that were riding the Wyverns。

When I came to school while cooling off my excitement, the students who were also looking at the Dragon knights were having a conversation about them。

When I also entered the circle of where they're talking, it became time for taking the attendance。

Hmm, it seems that neither Ristia nor Serisu has gone to school。Though Slatton & the other bridal candidates like Kiri are here。

I'm curious so I'll just ask them on the lunch break after seat study。

When I was thinking so, I was reversely barraged by question at break time。

「Hey you, is it true that you saved Ruiseine」

「I'm sure that you've beaten the Demon blade user」

「You were helped by that adventurer anyways」

「Though it seems like you've fallen asleep until yesterday, Are you alright？」

I was rained with questions。

Incidentally, this is my first time coming to school after the ruins incident。

Though the topic of the conversation this morning was the dragon knights but this time seems to be my turn。

The foolish child who is always doing his meditating training at the military arts time which is me is trying to slip and run away from everyone since the topic of me saving Ruiseine became a large topic it seems。

Since I couldn't say the truth nor the details so I just frantically ran away from everyone's questions。

I'm just a foolish child so please just leave me alone。Ohohoho。

(TLN: Loner OP > Popular. Who needs to be Popular when you have Mistral's love <3)

I wouldn't be preparing for the military arts time later since I'm just going to start my meditation training so I just ran from place to place inside the school。 And on the way, I ran into Kiri & Inea who were now returning to the temple。 So Ruiseine is still resting for today huh。

When I called out to Kiri, those two courteously bowed down to me。 The shrine maiden-samas are really polite。

「Ruiseine is alright」

「Yes, thanks to you。 She's now resting for today」

Kiri told me in a polite tone。

Kiri and Ruiseine's tones are really alike is what I thought but they are childhood friends。 So Inea entered the temple and became friends with them。

「That's good。 I'm sorry that I had to visit her when she just woke up」

「It's alright。 After Ernea's visit, Ruiseine's mood became surprisingly good」

「I'm wondering what conversation did you two do?」

Kiri and Inea strangely pressed unto me as I became frantic and denied those questions。

「I-, I just only visited her。 That's the truth」

「You're panicking so it looks doubtful」

「Very doubtful」

Uuuuu。 When I was standing there being in a predicament、 Ristia appeared in the entrance of the school。

「Hey husband of these girls! Help me here~! Your wives are teasing me」

「eh? 」

I hid at the back of Ristia who has appeared。

No、 for me who is being cornered by the clergy's shirne maidens、 aren't I completely the bad man here?

Anyways save me、 Hero-sama~。

「Hmm、 though I can't understand this situation but I have business with Ernea for the time being」

Ristia said so and calmed down Kiri & Inea。

Since both of them were just half joking、 so they just gave up at this time and would just pursue me later is what they said。

「S-、 so what's your business with me?」

Is it related with Ristia being late for school?

「Yes、 well」

Ristia didn't know what to say so he just told us to come with him。

(TLN: I have a bad feeling about this...Ernea's ass is in danger....we should call Mistral Onee-sama)

Inea, Kiri and I accompanied Ristia。

Thereupon、 there was a large carriage that is waiting in front of the school's entrance。

On the carriage was the tail of two opposite dragons that were intersecting overhead and is twined around a single sword which makes the crest。 It's the

royal family's carriage。

(TLN: Hoho, we might be able to see #6 & #7...maybe...idk....too much chapters so my memories is fuzzy)

At the side of the carriage、Slatton, Neimi and Kurishio were already there。

「His Majesty has called for us。Though Kiri and Inea were called too but it seems like you two were returning to the temple。It isn't possible for you two to suddenly go to the king's castle huh」

To Ristia's words、Kiri and Inea nodded in disappointment。Before they're Ristia's brides but they needed to prioritize the temple's work。If he would officially marry them then their lives would center around Ristia。

「Uuhm。Why does the King have any business with the likes of me?」

I don't remember anything good that I did。

Ah、did they find out that I've been going to the Forest of dragons recently? What should I do。

But the aloof me got urged by Ristia to ride on the carriage。

「I'll be explaining inside the carriage。Kiri、Inea、I'm sorry。I'll be compensating for this day sometime」

「Fufufu、please don't worry about it」

「Please say my regards to Serisu」

I got pushed into the carriage as Ristia gave off his farewell to Kiri & Inea so he went inside the carriage himself afterwards。Next are Slatton & Kurishio。Last is Neimi。

I got thrust away in the carriage as the only escape route got closed。

Though I didn't feel anything bad。

Inside the carriage was so extravagant than I've ever seen in my whole life。From front to back and left to right、the walls other than the place where people would get on or off and the place where we would sit。In the center enclosed by the seats is a big flat desk。I'm not sure as to what material is it made to make it so glossy & there were subtle engravings in it。On the desk、is a high class looking drinks and expensive looking confections。

(TLN: But are those expensive things more expensive than the VERSATILE PANACEA?)

I was made to sit in the seat behind the carriage. The soft square cushion seems to absorb all of the shaking of the carriage so I reluctantly sat down.

The walls were also splendid, the edges of the small window are painted gold. Even the landscape is decorated at the front side of the carriage.

And then, though I know of the wagons that have their seats in a horizontal row but this is my first time seeing a carriage. Undoubtedly, this was made so the King could also have conversation in here.

「And then, why am I mixed with everyone here?」

The carriage began to move & since everyone just sat to where they want to, I asked that.

By the way, on my right side is Slattona and Kurishio. On my left is Ristia and Neimi.

OI! Why does everyone dare to sit on the side that I'm sitting on when this carriage is wide enough for us.

And I don't like being enclosed by guys moreover. At least please lend me Kurishio and Neimi to sit on my side.

When I tried to push away those two guys next to me but they stubbornly stick on to me further.

「You're doing this on purpose huh. This is really annoying」

ShikuShiku. **(TLN: Crying sounds)**

Those four burst in laughter as I looked like I was gonna cry. You're all awful, this is bullying.

(TLN: You'll all pay for this....when Ernea obtains #3-#8!)

「We're sorry, We're sorry」

They were still laughing as they apologized as those four finally parted from me.

However, Slatton and Kurishio was at my right side. Neimi is at my front facing at me. At the back seat where he regained his composure is Ristia who sat at the

left side of my seat and that is how the seat arrangements have changed into。

Kurishio distributed the drinks on the table。

The inside of the carriage is comfortable even with the movement of it。 Though the shaking is quite awful but we could still have a conversation easily、 as expected of the Royal family's carriage。 These soft square cushions made this ride feel better。

For my first carriage ride to be the royal family's carriage、 I'm really lucky。

「Fufu。 Since Ernea's mood has improved so should I tell the important matters to you now?」

After Ristia has put his drink on his mouth、 he said that out。
Ah、 perhaps。 Did they think that since I felt nervous in riding the royal family's carriage so that's why they did those things。
I'm really helpless。

But as a matter of fact、 because of my meetings with the Ancient kind Dragon Old Sleigstar, the Dragonian Dragon princess Mistral & the mysterious Spirit Tree so I didn't feel nervous for any other petty things。
However、 I'm glad that they did those for me。

「Ernea had a large activity inside the Ruins huh」

With Ristia's words、 I understood the matters which stands to some degree。
It's about the fact that I refused the questioning of the king since I fell asleep for 3 days and why the Dragon knights with their Wyverns felw to this place。
I'm not really unrelated to it。
Since、 the other knights except the black armored demon blade users had the crest of the kingdom Yorutenitosu。

Did they not know it、 so are they going to ask me about the time when I rescued Ruiseine by myself。
But for me to directly go to the king、 this seems to be too important。

「I think that Ernea already noticed it but the 4 demon blade users who appeared at that time were knights from Yorutenitosu」

I nodded as I listened to Ristia's talk。

「Though we haven't identified the man in the dark armor but the other knights

were identified。 Though I can't say the details from my mouth but those four seems to had a certain duty in the Amuado kingdom」

「Maybe they were scheming something bad」

「Hahaha、 Ernea is really dangerous huh。 They would do anything evil since they were wearing the armor of the knights of the neighboring kingdom of ours。

Though the contents are private but they have properly」

「Hmmm。 So it's a strict confidential action that was permitted」

It feels so strange。 I know that it was discussed before it was given permission but for it to be in secret。

Ah、 maybe the kings knew of it & it was kept a secret to us commoners is what it may beな。

I consented with what I thought。

「The question is why did the knights from Yorutenitosu that came here become Demon blade users。 That is the problem that both the countries are now having」

「Don't tell me that this might become the reason for a war to start」

If that's the case then it would be bad。

「Ahahaha、 Ernea truly is dangerously violent」

Slatton & Neimi laughed。 Uuuuu、 why are you guys laughing。

「Both of these countries will always be friendly nations from the past up to the future。 That is an unchangeable truth」

If that is so then that's good。 Well since the founders of these two countries were actually brothers originally。 Both of them and their descendants flourished and prospered together。 It's good that it won't turn into a war。

「Those demon blades belong to the demons。 The Dark armored guy too maybe is a demon too。 With that、 do you remember the event from last spring?」

I nodded at Ristia's words。

At the time when we trained at the ruins for the first time、 the demons appeared from there。

「It is likely that the demons have entered our country and is secretly moving

about」

I got frightened by Ristia's words。

If it were the demons that have crossed over the Dragon's peak invaded us then it would turn into a major incident。

「And to that、Ernea too who has defeated the Demon blade user、the king seems to want to hear about it directly from you。And only Ernea knew about the Dark armored Demon blade user。Ah、with that。To Ernea who has defeated on eof their own dragon knights、the dragon knights showed their interest to you too」

NOPE、I feel like I've been dragged into something bad。Is this the fate of those who are close with the Hero-sama?

If it was the case of the Dark armored man then Mistral might get entwined。I who took my worries has ridden the royal family's carriage and headed off to the king's castle。

I-、I WANT TO RUN AWAY。

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Chapter 20: Blue Dragon Knight

While we were talking with each other while eating & drinking the sweet drinks、we seem to have arrived at the royal castle before I was aware。The wagon stopped & I was called。

「Now then、let's go。Ernea、don't get too nervous, alright?」

On Ristia's signal、we sequentially got off the carriage。I got surprised when I went down since we were greeted by a large amount of people。There were a lot of knights & government officials。One of those people、a lovely girl with an overwhelming sense of existence has greeted us as a representative of everyone。

It is Serisu-sama。

「Welcome home、Ristia。So you have successfully invited Ernea too」

I awkwardly bow to Serisu-sama as she smiled to me。Though I'm a bit close to her at school but I as a commoner can't understand any gesture that I should do since were here at the royal castle with many people looking。

With my strange movements、Ristia、Neimi、Slatton & Kurishio grinned。They're looking at me like I'm something amusing。They're really awful。

「Please、do come inside」

(TLN: (◡‿◡))

Only Serisu-sama is nice to me。We were urged so as we were guided to the inside of the royal castle。

Though this is the first time I've entered a royal castle but it really looks quite good as expected。

The foyer is already twice as big as our house。

The floors, walls & pillars were all made out of marble。 There were sculptures in every place that we reached & there were paintings too。 Vivid colors of flowers are arranged in the vases。

Fuaaaa、 my eyes are dazzling from the extravagance of this place。

Even if I worked throughout my whole life、 I wouldn't even be able to buy one of the wonderful luxurious furniture in here。

「You're really like a country bumpkin」

He looked at me who isn't calm as I'm looking at everything so Slatton said so & gave a bitter smile。

「It can't be helped。 This is my first time being in an extravagant place。 With that、 I might not be able to go here for another time in my life」

「Hahaha。 That ain't true。 If that's so then I'll just call for you everyday to come here」

(TLN: Is that a proposal Ristia? Be careful though cuz Onee-sama is ALWAYS WATCHING)

Ristia laughed。

Incidentally、 Ristia has been living in the royal castle after getting engaged with Serisu-sama。 Is it the same with Slatton & Kurishio、 with Neimi at that too?

(TLN: No worries, bruh. I can feel that Onee-sama will ALWAYS be there for you)

「Okay、 then I'll be visiting here for Kurishio in the future then」

「Oh my~!」

「Oi」

「You're so awful、 you're not going to visit me?」

「Ahahaha」

Everyone from the Hero party gave off their reactions & laughed。

「It seems like you're not nervous、 Ernea is unexpectedly strong huh」

When Ristia pointed that out、 I stuck my chest out & said Hmph。

「Well、it would be troublesome if you were nervous from just being at the foyer」

Damned Slatton、he seems to like teasing me。

(TLN: The yaoi is strong on this one)

「Okay okay、this is the way」

We are being led by Serisu-sama as we walked inside the royal castle。

And after going out in some courtyards & long passage ways、we have finally reached a place where two large doors were。

When Serisu-sama urged the guard that were in front of the door、they opened the door & guided us inside。

The room is where a large number of people could feel at home & relax in。The walls & pillars are made of marble as usual。A high class carpet is spread out on the floor which I hesitated a bit on stepping on it & there were extravagant sofas & desks that are set up in some places of the room。

There are fireplaces in both ends of the room。Though my house only had one。

Fuaaaa、while I'm looking around at the room、my back got pushed。

「Go inside faster」

(TLN: (°5°))

It's Slatton。

Behind Slatton were a couple of preceding visitors。

Ah、I'm nervous。

The first thing that entered my sight is a Knight wearing blue armor from all over his body。There were 2 knights wearing white armor on his side。At the opposite side of those three people who have sat around a single desk was a stout person who is wearing gaudy clothes & beside him is a thin person。The thin person is also wearing gaudy clothes。I'm sure that they're government officials。

With that、there was a white haired old man with garments above his armor & there is also a black bearded old man with the same clothes as him but has different ornaments in it。

Lastly, there's a really big man in the center. That really big man had the most extravagant clothes than anyone in here & he had a crown on his head. Ah, I'm certain that man is Serisu-sama's father. In other words, he's that.

We who had entered the room were greeted by everyone.

「Ristia, I apologize for pressing you with these tasks」

「No, I'm honored to be helpful」

With the big man's words, Ristia lowered his head.

I-, is it alright if I didn't kneel?

I didn't expect to suddenly meet the king so fast so I was flustered & didn't know what I should do.

「Father is a candid sort of person. Please be at ease」

Serisu-sama gently pat my back & whispered it to me.

「Fumu, that boy that I have seen for the first time, is he the one that is called Ernea」

「Uh, Yes. My name is Ernea • Isu」

My name was suddenly said so panicked & knelt down. Though she just said that I should be at ease.

Before I came here, I thought that I've become accustomed to people with high dignity since I've been talking with Old Sleigstar & Mistral but the king is a different existence huh.

What might be it. The king is a person filled with dignity & also a leader for the people so even I who doesn't have any manners had unconsciously knelt to him.
(TLN: Dammit don't kneel to others! Only kneel to ONEE-SAMA!)

「Ahahaha. This place isn't in public so there's no need to humble oneself. You have been called by Ristia & Serisu as a friend. I do not mind children with an attitude like a child. Doesn't Graive-dono mind it to?」

The king placed his gaze upon the man who wore a blue armor all over his body.

「Yes. I think that I'm alright with it. I'm also tired of having a respectful conversations」

The blue armored man nodded。
I timidly stood up。

「It is so、let us have a self introduction first of all。 Since Ernea-kun has already introduced himself then first of all would be me」

His majesty which is Serisu-sama's father had said so with a friendly smile。

「As you can see、I am the King of this country。 Amuado the 4th」

His crown is the proof of that。 Even I have understood it at once。

「Fumu、 then the following would be me。 I am the Prime Minister Collanta、 I am pleased to make your acquaintance」

The thin man who is wearing an extravagant clothes has bowed。 I also bowed myself。

「I am Nal。 I am the Sub prime minister」

This time was from the stout man who was wearing extravagant clothes too。
It's like、 the stout one seems to be more dignified & had an air of superiority。 He seems to be arrogant。

「I am the general of the National army Teizenal」

It's the black bearded large man。 He's a bit taciturn & he was indeed a military man is what it felt like。

「I am the Imperial Guard Knights commander Colan」

The one who said that was the smiling white haired old man with garments above his armor。 Though his appearance tells that he is very gentle but since he is the leader of the golden guard knights then he is an amazing person。

「Then I'm next。 I am the leader of the Yorutenitosu Dragon knights、 I am called Graive。 Nice to meet you」

The man who was in a full blue armor placed his hand on his chest & introduced himself。

Oohh、 so this person is the leader of the Dragon knights from this morning。 He's really cool。

「Since these two at my sides are my guards so I'll be omitting their self

introductions」

To the words of Graive-sama、The two white armored knights also placed their hand on their chests & gave their greetings。 So these men are Dragon knights too。

「P-, pleased to meet your acquaintance」

I bowed to them respectively。

Ah、 my stomach is starting to hurt with my nervousness。 Though the atmosphere of everyone is calm then this might be the situation where everyone here shall be baragging me with questions。

Though I ran away from the students at school but it seems like I can't run away from here。

SAVE ME、 MISTRAL-SAN! Even if I shouted inside my heart but even Mistral might not come here to help。

(TLN: This bastard....He's underestimating ONEE-SAMA!)

「It's really narrow in here。 Let us move to the seats near the window & converse there」

The king guided us as we moved to the place near the window。
The sofas are arrange like the letter ⊏ near the large window。

When Serisu-sama rang a bell、 the employees entered the room & distributed some drinks to us as they also left different kinds of food in the desk。

「Well then、 from what should I tell & for what should I listen to」

While the king was thinking、 the Prime Minister Collanta raised his hands。

「Let us finish the things that are necessary first of all。 Though I apologize if it is too sudden but Ernea-kun。 Do you mind if we could have you explain the recent event in the ruins?」

Here it comes~! It came immediately。 I nodded while giving a nervous look。
I contained my mouth with the drinks to make it damp & I started to talk。

Though I'm saying this but I mixed some lies in it since I didn't want to say anything about Mistral。

On the story that I've defeated the Dragon Knight that became a Demon Blade

user、everyone of the Dragon knights were interested in it & leaned forward。 I'm sure that they're doubting that a child like me has defeated a Dragon knight like them from their country。 Glaive-sama's stares were pretty painful。

「Fumu、 So an adventurer that passed by was the one who defeated the Dark armored Demon blade user & treated the wounds of the Shrine maiden」

The stout Sub Prime minister says as if he's deeply doubting my words。 So this person is one of those who are doubting me huh。

「Y-、 yes。 Since my hands were full at that time so I didn't have a chance to discern the adventurer's face」

「Hmmm。 Since that adventurer suddenly appeared & left the demon blade user then we might be able to hear more information from that adventurer」

The Prime minister Collanta-sama placed his hand on his chin and started to ponder。

Ah、 I pray that my lies wouldn't grow into a bigger problem。 I trembled as I thought that this lies of mine might be the reason for my grave to be dug earlier。

But there were people who misunderstood my frightened appearance。

「Oh、 I apologize for making you remember such a frightening memory」

(TLN: Acting skills 999999999. Give Ernea an Oscar award.....none for leonardo di caprio)

The king patted my head。 It was different from the time with Mistral so I wasn't happy with it。 It seems that the feeling of being patted by someone differs from which person is patting you。 Though being patted by the king is shockingly a valuable experience。

(TLN: Onee-sama's pats is like a Goddess is touching your head and you reach enlightenment)

「If it's an adventurer then there might be information in the Adventurer Union。 I shall conduct my investigations in that place」

「If that is the case then I'll be searching in the kingdom's area in the inns for information on the people that stayed there or any evidences left behind」

Collanta-sama and Nal-sama said so and left the room。

「Fumu、then can I be allowed to hear about the Demon blade users a bit more」

The king desired for more details。

「We too want to hear the details of how the Dragon knight of our country that turned into a Demon Blade user has been defeated」

Since the Blue Dragon knight Graive told me too then I recalled everything while talking。

The thing about his entire sword strength、his offensive and defensive measures is what I answered the questions of the Blue Dragon knight。

「Fumu。Apparently from what I've heard、The sword strength of the Demon blade user has fallen、In case of the Hero Ristia at any rate, I cannot think of a Dragon knight of our country would be easily defeated by a weak looking boy like you」

The Blue dragon knight leader Graive-sama leaked his dissatisfied impression。

He doesn't seem to like the fact that a knight from his kingdom has been defeated by a weak looking boy from another country。The white armored knight on his sides too were looking at me with killing intent filled eyes。

Though I can't think of myself being able to defeat a dragon knight but isn't it alright to not give such a disatisfied anger like that to me?

I answered without telling a lie other than the dark armored demon blade user and the Dragon ki。But it looks like they were still condemning me。

「First of all、Ernea-kun saved the shrine maiden and the teacher。It is a work that needs to be praised。For the future of this country、Let's formally put out a reward for you」

Ah、the king changed the topic。

(TLN: Please award him with 2 princesses please....Twin Oppai princesses would be appreciated....)

The king dispelled the ominous atmosphere and patted my head with a smile on his face。

I was a bit happy this time。

Time passed as the Hero's & the Dragon knight's words were heard afterwards。

Truth be said、I felt really out of place in that room & I couldn't calm down。I thought in my mind that I really want to hurry up and go home & a voice from outside of the room was heard as 2 people came into the room。

They're obviously a shrine maiden and a priest from just looking at them。

「I occasionally wanted to report to his majesty so that is why I have visited his majesty for today」

The priest knelt。The shrine maiden which was standing at his side held 4 swords。

I have seen those swords。I couldn't forget about its appearance、it were the possessions of the Demon blade users that appeared in the ruins from a few days ago which were the Demon blades。

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Chapter 21: Movements of the Darkness

「By all means、I would like for everyone to see this」

When the priest said so、The shrine maiden reverently held the swords on her hands near the feet of the king。

All members in the room stared at it。

「For you to take the demon blades in front of the king!」

With fuming anger、General Teizenal drew closer to the priest。
The Imperial knight commander Colan stood in front of the king as his shield。

「W-、with all due respect、the purification of the Demon blades have already finished」

The panicking priest added an explanation while all the members in the room inclined their heads & a question mark floated above their heads。

When someone obtains the Demon blade other than a demon then that person would be cursed。Since the people who appeared in the ruins had it on their hands then they have already been enchanted by the blades to become a slaughterer。

Since the one who possesses the Demon blade shall be cursed then usually after defeating the Demon blade user、the demon blade would be left at that place。

However, since it would be bad to just leave it there then the temple would dispatch a shrine maiden to perform a purification to dis-empower it。

However、a purified Demon blade would immediately rot and become an iron

waste。

But the four swords in front of us still had their forms when we fought those blades with their users。

Perhaps, everyone is curious and is thinking the same thoughts as me。 Why didn't the purified blades begin to rot?

「What is the meaning of this?」

General Teizenal pointed at the blades and demanded an explanation from the priest。

As expected of a General, his coercion is really heavy。

The priest got weakened by the atmospheric pressure of the General as he talked with a trembling voice。 He looked a bit pitiful。

「Y-, yes。 Frankly speaking」

The priest took a one of the swords and started to explain。

「The purification of the Demon blade this time was our duty。 Therefore we of course have performed the purification this time。 But as you can see, the blade didn't rot and stayed as it is。 We took it to the temple at once 。 Afterwards, though we have examined that there were no curses left on it but the power of the Demon blade completely remained in it」

Then what would this remaining sword be? The question that I've thought seems to be the same with everyone and the priest also seems to have thought the same。

「What on the meow might this sword that remained as it is? Why did it not rot? We might need to call a weapon expert to examine it」

We swallowed our breaths。

「This remaining sword, I can certainly see that it has the Dragon slaying attribute in it」

With the words of the priest, We swallowed our breaths。

「Wh-, what is the meaning of this?」

The king also got disturbed。

He shouldn't overdo it. For a Demon blade to appear in a land where humans are ruling is already unusual but for a demon blade to have the Dragon slaying attribute is furthermore an even bigger unusual thing.

This country and Yorutenitosu is placed at the edge on the dragon's country.

The number of national treasures that have the Dragon slaying attribute is only small. A commoner, great adventurers or aristocrats didn't have any & if they had it then they would be arrested for scheming something against the country.

For the extremely high scarce attribute as the Dragon slaying attribute to be in these four swords. Moreover, I noticed it at once. These four swords really looked the same.

「Th-, that's impossible. For it to have the same appearance as a dragon slaying sword」

Ristia seems to have thought the same thing. He looked surprised as his lips began to quiver.

「Pe-, perhaps, the demons have already gotten with their hands the technology to mass produced these weapons」

The king greatly opened his eyes wide & stared at the four blades.

If they were able to mass produce it then that would be more frightening itself. Not only for the humans but for the Dragons & the Dragonians too. Not only them. The god men, the giants and all of the races that antagonizes the demons would be in danger.

Forging a Demon blade or a Magical blade so easily shouldn't be possible to begin with.

For an arms to be bestowed with an attribute, a gem would mostly be embedded in it.

A gem is like an ore version of the magic stone. But those are rarely found & one wouldn't be able to use it if it didn't get processed.

In case of the Magical powered sword, a magician would save up a lot of magic power inside the gem for years and request for it to be embedded on the sword afterwards.

A magical powered sword is a magician's weapon that they would spend their

whole life making。

Therefore、a weapon with a gem like it is rare & it is the same with the Demon blade and the Holy blade。

Despite of that、here are four swords that are the same as those are。I would still be astonished even if I'm a foolish child。

「For four swords with the appearance like a magical powered blade to suddenly appear at the same time、this is practically unheard of」

Graive-sama was surprised while shaking all over as he said that。
The one who had the best sense of crisis in this room is the Wyvern Knight leader Graive-sama after all。Since for a Dragon slaying weapon is a natural enemy of the dragons that the dragon knights are manipulating。

「For such things to be mass produced、those demons are not able to do those。High rank-、no。There is a possibility that a Demon king is assisting them」

From all the people that got surprised inside the room、only the king was able to stay calm & analyzed the situation。

「This is not only a problem for my country and Yorutenitosu alone。At once、let us start the information exchange with the Dragonians」

With General Teizenal's proposition、the commander of the Imperial guard knights Colan also nodded。

「Surely、for a single demon to obtain a weapon like this」

The king had a sullen face as he brushed through his long beard on his chin。

「Then what should be done to this Dragon slaying attributed blade?」

The priest timidly inquired。

「This shall be assumed to be kept by the kingdom。Is there any objection?」

With the king's words、the priest had a face of relief and nodded。
I'm sure that the priest has a hesitating feeling on keeping the Dragon slaying attributed sword in the temple。Since blades like those are already kept inside the kingdom's treasure warehouse。

「Then we shall start the procedures of receiving it」

When the king said so, the shrine maiden once again held the former Demon blade to the 4 blades with Dragon slaying attribute in her arms。

「Then I shall accompany you too」

Imperial knight commander Colan and General Teizenal followed after the king spoke。

「Oh, it was so」

The king who tried to go out of the room turned around and faced us。

「Ernea-kun, though I wanted to talk with you a bit more but accept my apology. Please visit here again by all means. And Graive-dono, the matter about the blade shall be discussed for another time, I would like to converse with you about it」

Uhm, it would be alright if you would just forget about me but did you just also forget about the existence of the Dragon knight that visited from another country。

so the hands of the king is full too huh. He really is great for not showing his trembling on the table. But after all, the king is also human. He would also tremble on a thing that he didn't know and wouldn't be able to see the surroundings more clearer。

When the king, the general and the commander have gone out of the room, we were left inside the room。

A strange air flowed momentarily。

Was it awkward or was it.....

「It really is strange. There were five Demon blade users but the blades that were brought here are only four」

Though I didn't understand if whether or not he could feel the atmosphere in the room but Slatton stated his doubt。

It is certainly so. Though I just noticed it right now. What happened to the remaining single blade?

When I inclined my head, Ristia let out a tired sigh。

「Everyone, did you properly looked at that place?」

「That place?」

「That's right, the place where the Dark armored Demon blade user was defeated at」

At Ristia's point, I and Slatton both inclined our heads。

No, what might be at that place? Since my mind was filled with Ruiseine at that time so I didn't look at the place properly。

That Dark armored Demon blade user got beaten to death by Mistral-san。 When I recalled the situation at that time when I thought about it, I felt like I would puke。

The Dark Armored Demon blade user that was beaten to death by Mistral-san looked like a cruelly made lump of meat。

Slatton & Neimi remembered the scene at that time as their faces got distorted。

Serisu-sama & Kurishio had unconcerned faces。 I'm sure that they're thinking of other stuffs as to not remember that scene。

(TLN: Just goes to show what Onee-sama will do to someone that will hurt her shota boytoy away from her. Is Ruiseine gonna be the next lump of meat?)

「I'm sure that the Demon blade that the user had lost its abilities from being pulverized」

Though Ristia said so but the image of the lump of meat was too gruesome that I didn't notice it。

I didn't want to remember the lump of meat。

「I'm interested in the person who struck the dark armored man repeatedly into his demise」

The one who told us that was Graive-sama。

「That's true, for that person to use a blunt weapon and not a sharp one, that person is an unusual adventurer。 And since that person has a good skill then I'm also interested too」

「Hohou, you too huh?」

So Ristia & Graive-sama had a conversation like that。 Slattona dn the white

armored soldiers would sometimes enter the conversation。

Then I became an outcast。

(TLN: Just go out and talk to Onee-sama. Onee-sama is the ONLY person you need to talk to)

It's like I've been disregarded by Graive-sama。Wasn't he aware that I'm here?

Wasn't Graive-sama the one who was making that awkward atmosphere when the king went out of the room

Graive-sama was intimately speaking with Ristia and the others but wasn't even looking at me。

I'm sure that he's thinking that a childish commoner like me isn't worthy of talking with him。Moreover、I was one of those that defeated his Dragon knight from his kingdom。

(TLN: No worries, bruh. He's just got ROASTED by your SAVAGENESS with no chill)

Even the perfect and would always worry about me Serisu-sama didn't put me in the circle of their conversation。

In other words、I'm just quietly sitting in here。

Since I became an outcast、I just let the boring time pass。

I drunk the drinks & ate the food。When I spent my free time looking at the scenery of the courtyard from the window、a voice was heard from outside the room and Graive-sama with the white armored knights left the room。

They would be having a conference with the king hereafter。

The door got closed when the 3 people left the room。

「Fuu」

Ristia sighed firstly。It's unusual fro him to sigh。

Slatton, Kurishio & Neimi lazed off on the sofa at the side。
Serisu-sama was on Ristia's side and gave off a wry smile。

「Ernea、I'm really sorry」

Ristia gave his apology and offered me a drink。

「Uhm、about what?」

I didn't understand so I inclined my head。

「Nah。 Since His highness Graive has especially disregarded you so we had no choice but to associate with him。 I'm truly sorry」

「Ernea-kun、 I'm sorry」

Ristia & Kurishio bowed their heads to me

「Awawa。 You two、 raise your heads。 I wasn't particularly worrying about it。 But his majesty? Perhaps Graive-sama is a prince? 」

「Yeah、 You weren't aware of it Ernea? His highness Graive-sama is the first Prince」

(TLN: Translation of Ernea's real words; Ernea: No need to worry about a maggot that Onee-sama can murder at any time she wants to)

I got surprised at Slatton's words。 So he was a prince huh。 I didn't expect that so my face cramped。

Kurishio giggled and laughed when she looked at my semi smile。

「His highness Graive was also thinking about this thing for his country too。 Ernea doesn't have to worry about it」

Ristia cheered me up as he tapped my shoulder。

「Yeah、 I'm not worrying about it」

「Uhee。 Not worrying about it like disregarding him、 Ernea seems to be a big shot right now」

Slatton said as Kurishio kicked him。 Well done、 Kurishio。 She has kicked him for the second time when I said this on my mind。

「Since he was the first prince are there more princes like him? D-、 don't tell me that the two white knights with him are the second and third prince too」

With my stupid thoughts、 everyone laughed。 Uuuu、 this is embarrassing。

「That's too stupid」

「For him to use his younger brothers as his guards、 impossible」

「Ernea's mind is flying off」

「Fufufu。 Under the first prince、 there are three other princes。 Graive-sama is 21

years old。 The next prince is 19。 The next one is 17。 The last one is 13 years old」
(TLN: In la*smacked by Onee-sama* Onee-sama: Stop giving spoilers!)

The other 4 people were bursting in laughter and onyl Serisu-sama was kind enough to explain it to me。 Ah、 Serisu-sama is also bearing her laughter。 Y-、 you guys are cruel

「Uh、 uhm。 there's no 15 years old」
「You've noticed a strange part in it huh」
「After all、 Ernea really has a strange mind」
「Stop it、 everyone。 Ernea-kun is too pitiful」
(TLN: #3!!!!!!)

Serisu-sama telled off Slatton & Ristia who was still laughing。
Neimi was laughing while on the sofa in a < like letter position。

A-、 am I really such a strange kid?
I'm beginning to think that I shouldn't have come hereas I began to feel a bit depressed。

(TLN: Never go to places without Onee-sama. Onee-sama is happiness)

「Ernea has noticed a good point。 To that 15 years old child、 there was a princess。 However、 she has died from when she was young」
(TLN: #3!!!!!!)

Is that so。 So they have lost their only princess。
But for them to make a child every 2 years、 The king of Yorutenitosu is quite an amazing man。

We afterwards、 have spent the morning talking with each other。

Though I wanted to tell Mistral about the sword with the Dragon slaying attribute right at this moment but I didn't know how to spend my time in such a extravagant place like this so I just passed my time like what I did a while ago。

Then it became noon then it became dissolution time after we took our lunch。
However、 I was the only one who returned since I didn't live in that place。

I boarded the carriage that Serisu-sama arranged。

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Chapter 22: There's also bad days

On the carriage that I would be riding on to my house, I met an unexpected person。

Nah, he was already waiting in there。

Inside the carriage is Graive-sama。

「Ah, uhm」

I shook。

「The carriage will start to move. How about you take a seat?」

Graive-sama pointed that out and I lowered my waist on the seat that is opposite from his。

Wh-, what might this be. I got confused at the situation that I never thought would happen。

Did he notice my confusion, Graive-sama scowled at me。

It's like a frog being scowled by a snake, I gathered my strength and faced Graive-sama。

S-, scary. He's scary. He is obviously giving off an aura of hostility unto me。

From the time that I was born up to now, this is the first time that I've been looked at with full hostility so I'm completely frightened right now。

The carriage started to move。

Though I wasn't riding the royal carriage on my way home but the shaking of it isn't that bad。

The sound of the wheels and the neighing of the horses could be heard inside the carriage but both of us didn't move an inch。

I-, it's really awkward。

While Graive-sama is scowling at me, he still didn't move。 Since I got overwhelmed by the atmosphere, I couldn't avert my glance from Graive-sama。

What on the meow might be Graive-sama's business with me since we were both in this carriage。

Though I can understand that it's obviously not good。

Inside the carriage that is cluttering as it moved, Graive-sama & I didn't move as we matched our glances together。

I wonder where will I be dropped on。 I feel like I want to get down right now。

Only our eyes were at contact but I'm already this frightened。

And for a while, the carriage stopped。

Did we already arrive at someplace? The coachman on the outside called from outside。

「Did a kid like you really defeat a Dragon knight from our country, I am exceedingly doubting it」

When I hesitated if it was alright for me to go down now but Graive-sama finally opened his mouth and said。

「From what I've seen, you don't seem to have any strong arm strength。 Your arms is as slender as a woman and your spirit and mind can be easily frightened like this。 For some trash like you to defeat a dragon knight, it really gives us a dishonorable figure。 If possible, don't tell people about it too much」

(TLN: Wait guys, I'm trying to calm down Onee-sama here.....She's about to burst in ange-*Missere Meow's head gets slammed in his keyboard*)

When Graive-sama said so, he took out a pouch from his pocket and threw it at me。

I panicked as I received it。

With the *Kaching* sound, a heavy pouch of money was in my hands。

「This is.....」

「Gold coins。 That might be already an excess for a trash commoner like you」

This is in other words、 payment for me to shup my mouth。

I understood myself that I was making an astonished face。

So Graive-sama is paying me for me to not spread any rumor that I was able to defeat a dragon knight from their country Yorutenitosu。

I already forgot that he was the first prince of Yorutenitosu as he scowled at me。

I would even think of spreading it。 I did those things desperately for the purpose of saving Ruiseine。 But it doesn't change the fact that I killed someone。 I wouldn't speak of it like I'm boasting about it。 I shouldn't be speaking of such things。

「With such a big amount of money、 I cannot take it。 However、 please do not worry about it。 Since I was just lucky that I got to defeat it & I wouldn't even speak of this to anyone at all」

When I said that、 I returned the heavy pouch of gold coins to Graive-sama 。

「If that is all then I shall be taking my leave」

I placed my hands on the door of the carriage。

「That would be helpful if you would do that」

(TLN: Ernea doesn't need your dirty money, you damned worm)

While hearing his voice like he was telling me that I'm a fool as I went out of the carriage。

I said my gratitude to the coachman as it is & turned my back as I left the carriage。

The carriage sent me up to the school。 Perhaps、 since I was taken at the time when I was at school then did they think that I left my luggage at school?。 Too bad。 I'm an empty handed student while going to school。 Since my family isn't that well off、 I was just borrowing the text books at school。

The carriage started to drive downward。

It's like, I'm really having a bad feeling right now。

Though I can understand that he didn't like the kid that defeated one of his country's own knights。 But if he had that much hate in his eyes then anyone might get frightened by it。

That person shall be the future king of Yorutenitosu。
Ah。 I'm really blessed that I'm a commoner of Amuado。 I would really not like it if such a person would be the king of my country。

While I was still feeling a bit anguished, I went to the forest of dragons。
I really want to divert my mind with something is what I was thinking while I hurried up。
I'm sure that if I meet up with Mistral then this unpleasant feeling would clear up。
And it would be bad if I didn't report to her about the sword with dragon slaying attribute so I entered the forest in a quick pace。

I entered inside the forest and randomly wandered around。

Though it's fine for me to wander around like this but it would be good if I could reach my destination more easier。
At any rate, I would immediately reach it at last when I'm a bit early & i would be made to walk for a moment when I'm late。

Well, though it's already good that I'm not getting attacked by the demon beast anymore nowadays。
After Mistral knocked down that gray demon beast wolf, it didn't ever show it's appearance at me。

I'm a bit light footed like always as I made my way through the forest。 Am I irritated for a bit?
I didn't have any choice since this morning was the worst happening of my life Since it was my valuable experience of my first time going to the royal castle but it's now carved in my memory as the worst day of my life。

When I was walking in the forest with no goal in mind but I started to hear some people's voices nthat were talking to each other so I stopped walking。

For people to be in this forest wouldn't be unusual。

People who were picking up firewood, people that are searching for fruits or people that are hunting animals。 There are a lot of people that are utilizing the forest。

Though I've also been going to this forest everyday so I often meet people in here。 However、 I wouldn't be able to reach the plaza of moss if I met with anyone。

That's why I take a different route when I hear voices of people talking with each other。

I wonder from which direction did I hear those voices?
I clarified my ears。
However、 my ears who are attentively listening has heard an unpleasant sound。

Garigari It seems like a sound of a tree that is being cut。

Awawa。 This day is really a bad day for me。
I was disappointed as my shoulders dropped。

And to the place where I heard those sounds、 I sneaked up to that place。

It is heavily prohibited to cut a tree in the forest of dragons。 They would be arrested for a serious crime if they were found or they would be put to death in the worst case。

Perhaps the sound of a tree being cut down。

If it was the past me then I would sneakingly go away and report it to the officials but I'm not like that anymore。

I'm now a close friend of Old Sleigstar who is protecting this forest。
That is why I can never forgive a person who would lay waste to the forest。

I leaned my body over and sneakingly advanced forward。

Though it would be fine if they were cutting up an already dead tree but it would be bad if it isn't like that。

I finally came closer to the places where the voices and sounds of trees being cut was so I hid myself in a handy thicket and looked at it。

There were five men。

One of them is sitting in the pile of wood and is drinking something。
Two of them were wandering and being vigilant about the surroundings。

I hid my breath so I wouldn't be found。

And the people who were carrying a saw in both of the ends as they cut up the fallen tree。

The cut up part of the tree had a vivid color & it's obvious that it didn't fall down because it is rotten。

My guess was right。

They had already finished cutting it down。After knocking it down、they would easily cut it up when they placed it down。

Why would they do that。

I felt nervous as I was witnessing this heinous crime。

What should I do、should I report it?

To an official? Nope、I should hurry up to the plaza of moss and inform Old Sleigstar and Mistral about it。

If it was Mistral、then she would be able to easily capture these grown men。

It would be impossible for me to take them on。I would surely be defeated by one of those guys。

For me to not get noticed、I should move quietly。

Bakiri。

「Who's there ! !」

Oh shit。I carelessly stepped on a branch。

「Oi、at that thicket」

I have been found by one of the look outs。

I slipped out of the thicket in a panic and ran out。

「Wait ! Don't let it go」

I could hear the roars of those men from behind me。

This is bad、I need to run away。

I ran with all my strength。

Dosun。

I received a heavy impact on my right shoulder as an acute pain continuously attacked the center of my shoulder。

I screamed as I fell。

I confirmed it with my eyes。

There was a single arrow on my shoulder。

The pain was doubled as I looked at it。

I screamed。

「Shut up、be quiet!」

One of the men caught up and kicked my stomach with all of his strength。
The man trampled on my face which looked like I was gonna scream again。

「Oi、get me a rope。I'll tie him up」

「That's too troublesome、lets just kill him」

「No、that would be bad。If we killed him here then the demon beasts would come here with the smell of death」

Though several men were talking but I didn't understand it from the pain。
I withed as I felt like the pain was burning on my shoulder。I felt a dull heavy pain as it caused nausea in my abdomen While I remained like that、those guys tied me up。

What should I do。I would get killed if it stayed like this。
I couldn't concentrate with the pain in my upper body so I couldn't feel the Dragon pulse。

They hurriedly dragged the writhing me & returned to where the other men were cutting up the trees。

I was dragged and the men increased my wounds。

It hurts it hurts。I wanted to scream but they used a rope to make me shut up。

「For the time being、what should we do?」

「Just hurry up and divide the tree anyway。 If we took those home then we'd be billionaires」

「It would be fine if we just kill this brat later」

「Damn、 why would a kid like this be deep inside this forest」

While I was in pain like my consciousness would be deprived of me any second, the men continued their work。

I couldn't do anything as I laid myself on the ground。
The man who was drinking something and sitting on the pile of wood stomped his foot on my face and pressed it on me。

I groaned as my head felt like it would break。

「It's alright、 we won't be killing you right now。 But bad luck for you。 We need to silence you since you saw us here」

The man grinned。 Though I desperately tried to resist but my stomach was kicked again and my body made a position like the < letter。

Though I vomited but the ropes became damp and my mouth was filled with something that wasn't good。

(TLN: Huehue translating this felt horrible. I stopped eating my chips)

「KEKEKE、 this fellow、 his vomit is filling his nose」

While looking at my shameful look、 the men made a coarsen sneer。

What should I do。 Someone help me。

I was filled with fear。

The glances of the men are really scary。 I'm scared that they wouldn't hold back in kicking me when I would resist for a bit。

My shoulder's pain felt like it was burning as the arrow continued to crawl inside my shoulder。

I trembled as my teeth clattered。

(TLN: End of the novel. go back. no more. he's dead)

GURURURURURURURURURU。

When the men finished cutting a bundle of wood、 a sound of a beast was heard from somewhere。

「A beast huh」

「Where is it?」

The men became alert at an instant。

「Oi、I think that I just saw something over there」

When one of the men pointed at some direction、they took their weapons on to their hands。

The men went out of my field of vision while I'm down。

「Where is it、nothing's here」

「Be careful、I'm sure that it's lurking somewhere」

The men felt nervous as they contacted each other。

「GYAAAAAaaaaaaaaaaa」

Suddenly、the scream of a single man resounded in the forest。

I was about to hold my hand on my chest from the surprise。

「What is it、what happened?」

「GYAAAAAaaaaaaaaaaa」

「Oi、what happened to you?」

「The-、there's something in here」

With the screams、the trembling men's voices continued。

「H-、Hiiiiiiii、what is that!」

「GYAAAAAaaaaaaaaaaa」

It seems like something frightening is happening outside my vision。

Though the brawny men were fighting against it but the voices that I could hear are scared ones。

What's happening?

You're scaring me、Mistral。

I became small & just trembled。

「D-、don't come over here!」

A scream was raised and the man stumbled down。

The man landed on his bottom & though I could see that he is holding up his

sword but he was trembling as the tip of his sword was also trembling。

And。

The monster appeared from the thicket。

it didn't make any noise。

The soundless thing that appeared before me was the grey demon beast wolf with a brutal smile on its face。

The demon beast slowly approached the stumbled man like it was playing with it。

「D-、don't come over here!」

The man screamed as he drew back。

The demon beast drew its blood red mouth filled with blood as it licked the blood on its mouth。

The fingernails of the demon beast is also dyed red。

The demon beast approached the man with each step。

For the demon beast to show up at this place。

I was also filled with fear like the man at the sight of the cruel smiling large wolf。

I'm sure that I'm next after this man。

Though I didn't think that I would see it again after Mistral knocked it down but it seems like it was still lurking in this forest。

I'm sure that it is seeking revenge at me。 While Mistral isn't here、 I'm sure that it was aiming at me。

Thus、 the large wolf approached the man。

Though the man swung his sword but the large wolf easily played it with its forefoot & the sword flew away。

The large wolf made a satisfied smile as it opened its mouth and gobbled up the man。

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WE LIVE IN DRAGON'S PEAK – 23

Residents of the forest

The man in front of him was almost being eaten by the large wolf magical beast. At the time he diverted his eyes from the gruesome situation, at that little opening between the magical beast and the man, an arrow fled there pass the mist.

Reflectively the magical beast took a step away.

Then the magical beast, turn its body and groaning in vigilant while scowling to somewhere inside the forest.

What's up, what happened. Who was the one who shot the arrow, I tried to move my body to look at the culprit too, by moving my neck I scan the situation around.

“Inside this forest, I won't let any filthy blood nor soul of a sinner to defile this place.”

I and the magical beast, and the man who was saved at hair's breadth, at the end of our line of sight, the one than appeared from inside the forest was a man with intense features who brought along a bow. Wearing a light green leather armor to protect his upper body. His clothes and shoes also green colored, with silk like silver hair that beautifully arranged around his shoulder, and razor like intense features.

Drawing the bow to its limit while aiming at the magical beast, he draw near carefully.

Then, beside his intense face, from the beautiful silver hair, come out a long pointed ear.

Long eared tribes.

I held my breath.

The legendary tribe that being mentioned at numerous tale.

That was the tribe that quietly lived deep inside the forest, honoring the nature, the one that placed a curse that would make someone lost inside the forest, and cut off any connection from outside world.

“Pl, please help me.”

The man was crawling tried to ask help to the long eared tribesman.

But, an arrow fled toward him from another direction, the man screamed in surprise.

“You lowly sinner, do you think you have a qualification to beg for us to save you?”

The long eared tribesman was, wasn’t just the silver haired man alone.

Before we aware of it, there were many of them surround us while preparing their bow. Atop the trees, inside the bushes, and then behind me. At least there were around twenty of them.

There were some with different color but, all of them wore a same armor like the first guy.

Even if our attention were focused to the first guy, we never thought that we would be surrounded by this many of people.

“Kari. What should we do?”

The one behind me opened his mouth.

“Depend on the magical beast. The magical beast, if it back off here then we should just let it go.”

According to what the person behind me said, it seems the first appeared guy’s name was Kari.

The magical beast, at the appearance of so many long eared tribesman, even now it still turn its body while groan in vigilant. Even before several people that brought a bow, it didn’t backed away even a bit.

While the long eared tribes and the magical beast stay vigilant to each other, none of them closed their distances.

“As a magical beast, you should be at least able to comprehend what a person said. Just back off already. If you back off, then we will let you go.”

While saying that, Kira-san fired an arrow at around the magical beast's feet.

With a sharp sound, the arrow stuck into the ground. Kari-san's appearance wasn't looked that strong but, the arrow was considerably fast.

But the magical beast, even after heard Kari-san's warning, It still groaning at him.

Since a magical beast was cunning, there were some of them that even possess more intelligent than a human.

The magical beast, even with so many people surround it didn't backed off even a bit, was that means even with this many of long eared tribesman, it thinks that it was still stronger than all of them?

The space filled with a tense mood.

For me, I want it to win against the long eared tribes, if not, I won't be saved.

Then, please remove this gag, my mouth starting felt extremely disgusting. The wound around my body, especially the arrow wound at my shoulder was so hurt like it was burning. And I can't feel my numb right hand.

“There's no other way.”

Someone had come.

The magical beast stand firm.

The long eared tribes pulled the bow string to its fullest.

“All of you, please stop right now.”

At the time they almost fired a deathly blow, I heard a familiar voices. Then, the one that come was Mistral.

She was literally descend here. From atop the forest's tree, with a thump Mistral get down to the ground.

The descend of the goddess-sama, instead of appeared with such divine-like appearance, Mistral appeared while clad with thirst of blood.

“Guh, princes Mistral.”

Overpowered by the sudden appearance of Mistral, Kari-san groaned.

“Kari-dono, please put off your bow.”

“B, but.”

Mistral’s tone was polite but, her presence while saying that was terrifying.

Even that, Kari-san was hesitate while gazing at the magical beast and me, and also the man.

“O magical beast, you please be obedient too.”

Being told that, the magical beast glared at Mistral. Then the magical beast even while groaning and turned its body, it obviously huddled.

It turn its tail to conceal its stomach. Similar like a dog. The magical beast was obviously frightened by Mistral.

That was, because you’ve being knocked down once right.

“There is no problem with the magical beast. It didn’t harm the forest, so please give toleration to it. Or perhaps, do you think if you let it away, it may hurt old man who livde inside this forest, is that really the case?”

“But, it almost defile the forest with bloods of a sinner.”

Someone of the long eared tribes said that.

“That was it can’t be helped since that was to save this boy. This magical beast was trying to save this boy.”

While saying that, Mistral was pointing toward me.

Eh, the magical beast was saving me? It was the first time I heard it though. After all, wasn’t it was the same magical beast that tend to chase after me thus far?

Moreover after being knocked down by Mistral, it won’t be strange if it hold a grudge toward me.

Did my question shown at my face, Mistral smiled wryly while looking at me.

“First of all, we should treat your wounds.”

After said that, Mistral untie me.

“W, wait, Princes Mistral. You were indeed said that the magical beast was trying to shed a blood to save that boy, but, who is that boy? Why he was tied deep inside the forest, moreover with wounds all over his body.”

While hearing Kari-san’s perplexed words, Mistral was treating my wounds.

After the gag at my mouth was removed, and then I washed my mouth with water. At last the disgusting feeling in my mouth disappeared.

“It may slightly hurt but, if you’re a boy then please endure it, okay.”

Mistral removed the arrow that still stuck at my shoulder.

I attacked by pain for a second but, it immediately cured. Mistral plastered something to my shoulder.

It’s that right, that.

“Pr, princes Mistral.”

The ignored Kari-san was troubled. But Mistral was gave her maximum priority to treat me, silently plaster my wound with nasal mucus panacea.

I shouldn’t think it as a nasal mucus, if I think it as a precious medicine, I won’t think it as something disgusting.

While I was being treated by Mistral, the long eared tribesman and the magical beast, and also the man were waiting in silent.

Mistral was, ‘I will deal with you later’, since Mistral put such atmosphere so there were no one that could oppose it.

After gave me first treatment, Mistral-san stood up and smiled to Kari-san.

“I am sorry, thank you for waiting.”

Um, they’re indeed waiting for quite a while. As for me, I was very grateful for being nursed so nicely by Mistral but, for the one who was waiting it was as clear as day that they would be bewildered.

“Th, then, who is that boy. Why the magical beast was trying to save that boy.”

Kari-san pull himself together and asked that. And then Mistral gave me a hand to stand up.

“This boy is, my future husband.”

Ooh, she said it without any hesitation, instead I’m the one who hung my head and blushed in embarrassment.

“Wai, EH!?”

The long eared tribesman showed their surprised and bewildered expressions.

“And then, this magical beast was interested in this boy so it was following him. It had no intention to hurt this boy at all.”

Mistral said that while glancing at the magical beast.

The magical beast, respond in surprise and continuously nodding its head.

Is that true? Somehow it is hard to believe. But the magical beast seems so docile to Mistral. It still conceal its tail, just because being beat into pulp once, it become much too docile.

But the long eared tribesman were sure strong, so that means, even with all of these long eared tribesman here, Mistral was still stronger....

H, how terrifying...

“H, husband!?”

Seems like at least he could digest the word, but Kari-san was late to voice out his reaction.

“Im, impossible. The esteemed dragon princes from the dragon tribesman, to become a wife for a kid from human tribes was...”

“Impossible....”

“Why must this kid.”

“Mom, I lose to a kid from human tribes....”

The long eared tribesman folk unanimously leak out their surprise.

“This boy’s name is Ernea. The one that being taught Dragon Sword Dance by

the old man at the moss garden.”

Being told by Mistral, the long eared tribesman folks simultaneously looked at me.

“That esteemed person, grant that secret technique to a kid from human tribes?”

“Yes, it seems he judged that this boy has a talent at it.”

“I, I see. It seems he isn’t just an ordinary person.”

Kira-san came near me and gazes fixedly at me.

Wai, so embarrassing,

Somehow I feel like being evaluated.

“Hmm, well then, let’s just left Ernea-dono to Princes Mistral, and then let this magical beast be. But, we definitely won’t forgive those sinner.”

After finished evaluating me, Kari-san with gazes filled with anger, gazed at the man who still sit down at the ground.

Hmm, I just realized it but this man, somehow I feel like I know him.

“They attack his spirit with spiritual art.”

Mistral told me near my ears.

Spiritual arts, when did they used that. It seems that the long eared tribesman could do many thing by using spirit.

Maybe that man, his spirit was paralyzed by the spirit.

“The three other man inside the forest had collapsed. But it seems they are still alive.”

“It seems there was one who running away. But maybe he was already seized by another force.”

From inside the forest, eventually three man who were being tied appeared, followed by several long eared tribesman.

“With this, let’s mutually return now.”

Kari-san and Mistral mutually nodded.

You could go now, said Mistral to the magical beast while waving her hand, the magical beast quietly walk away and disappeared.

After send the magical beast off, Mistral walked while holding my hand.

While parting, Kira-san said it to me.

“Dragon Princes’ husband, be sure to come and play to our village next time.”

With that unexpected words, I turn my face to Kari-san.

Kari-san see us off while floating a cool smile.

It felt like contain something but, maybe that just my imagination.

Mistral seems didn’t particularly care about it, and keep walking while hold my hand.

My big wound was already being treated by Mistral using the panacea but, there are still many scratch at my whole body, it hurt just to move my body.

But I can’t show my weak state to Mistral. So I walk while endure the pain.

For a brief moment I walked with Mistral in silence. After we walked quite far away from the long eared tribesman, Mistral stopped and looks at me.

“I am sorry.”

Mistral apologized with bitter expression.

“Eh? Why Mistral is apologizing? Even though I’m so grateful that you’re come to save me.”

I was confused, I don’t think there was something that would make Mistral need to apologize to me.

“No, I am really no good. This time, I come late when you were facing a danger again.”

Mistral hung her head.

“What are you talking about? Didn’t I was saved by Mistral? At the time at the ancient ruin and this time too, I always safe because of Mistral.”

That’s right. At the time at the ancient ruin, I think I alone won’t be able to beat the black armor that used a cursed sword. This time too, If Mistral didn’t

come I don't know what would those long eared tribesman did to me.

I absolutely think that Mistral isn't at fault, if I comfort her like that, then she definitely would angry to me.

"On the other hand, you are playing too much with danger. Please learn more prudence till you become an adult."

"It hurts."

A fist flying towards me. Even though she was depressed just a moment ago, for now to be angry. You are too unreasonable.

"When I become an adult, is it okay if I poke into many trouble?"

At my words, I got my second demolishing fist.

So hurts.

Please plaster the nasal mucus at your head too.

With teary eyes, I and Mistral walked together side by side in the forest.

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Chapter 24 | Why did this happen?

“The people earlier, are from the long eared tribe right?”

As Mistral and I are walking inside the forest, I asked.

I often hear the legend of the dragon that lives in the forest of dragons but this is the first time I’ve heard of the long eared tribe living in it.

“Yes. They seem to have lived in this forest since the olden days.”

“Was Mistral aware of them? Or rather, you were having a seemingly friendly conversation.”

“You’re right. I periodically deliver the all purpose medicine from my end and on their end, things are sent in to us. Much like earlier where there is an audacious bunch, a mutual cooperation is there for moving out. “

“heee. Now I understand.”

It seems like the versatile nasal mucus is also used by the long eared tribe. But is there someone in there that knows of its true form? Wow, interesting~

“What are the things sent by the long eared tribe?”

“I wonder, things like fruits that taken inside the forest are the main ones. But once in a while, there are armors and fabrics woven by the village as well. Majority of those I receive, I bring back to the village of the dragon tribe.”

“Fuuun. Come to think of it, does Mistral go to ojii-chan’s place by herself every day?”

“That’s right. The village is in the dragon’s peak but if I use the dragon king’s technique I can come easily.

Like me, it seems like Old Sleighstar is also being picked and dropped off by

Mistral. I wonder, coming and going to and from the dragon's peak is definitely distant.

"Maybe someday, I would like to visit Mistral's village"

Towards the nonchalant words I said, Mistral had a seemingly malicious smile.

"Certainly. Someday you would greet my parents"

"Ah, Haaa!?"

Tha-that's right. Since I'll be marrying Mistral, I have to go and greet them.

I heard that Mistral is popular among the Dragon tribe so if I go there for greetings then wouldn't I have troubles in the village? Or rather, I wonder if the people of the Dragon tribe already know of me and Mistral.

Thinking of the things in the future, I began to feel nervous and start to sweat unpleasantly.

I-it hurtssss. The small wounds throughout my whole body that got soaked were stinging.

"fufufu. But we don't need to talk about that you see. First of all, you have to become a man."

Mistral smiled and started to stroke my head.

Although Mistral is older, I occasionally get treated as a child. However, my head getting stroked is something I like. As a man, I wonder how it works.

"Yeah. I'll do my best. Then together with Mistral, we'll protect this forest."

I wonder if I too can become someone that could protect this forest and have the duty of Old Sleighstar's caretaker together with Mistral.

Then with the long eared tribe earlier, I wonder if there will be a day when we act together with them.

Because the Long Eared tribe is also a legendary tribe along with Old Sleighstar. To be able to do something together with them is something precious.

Perhaps even the Hero Ristia does not know anything of them.

"I'm glad to protect the forest together with you but you need to apologize

about the dangerous things like the one that happened earlier.”

At Mistral’s pierced nails, I grimaced.

It was not that I was careless but I never thought that I would be caught by scoundrels and have my life would be at peril. I put my neck into things easily too much. To reflect on this is something I must do.

“Yeah. I’m sorry. I will properly think about it from now on before acting out.”

When I obediently apologized, Mistral too had smiled happily. For the beautiful Mistral to smile, it was like an earth-shatteringly mysterious painting.

I unconsciously became fascinated completely that I ended up falling behind Mistral.

“Don’t just stand there, quickly let’s go”

After Mistral who is ahead of me said that, I became confused and ran after her afterwards.

Shortly after walking, the atmosphere of air in the forest changes.

At this moment, I am always guided to the moss filled plaza of the forest where the old tree resides.

Unaware before my eyes, huge old trees appeared to make a detour and the plaza filled moss can already be seen.

No matter how many times I come here, I am always surprised at this wonder-like moment.

In the middle of the moss plaza was a large dragon that looked like a hill, Old Sleighstar was already watching us.

Mistral and I lined up and entered the Moss Plaza.

“I’m back and.....”

“Grandpa Hi.....”

“Bueekkushunnnnnnn!!”

Gyaaaaa.

Mistral and I that suddenly got sneezed by Old Sleighstar were blown away.

Being thrown into the muddy stream of nasal mucus, we got forced back into the forest of old trees.

Completely covered with nasal mucus (TN: Gross lol)

“G-Grandpa. Doing such a thing all of a sudden.”

“O-L-D-M-A-N-!”

Mistral was with a guise of a demon and unsheathed the one handed rod. I wonder if it's my imagination but fighting spirit is saying and overflowing from my whole body.

Just like me, Mistral whose whole body is covered with nasal mucus is closing in to old Sleighstar with thumping sounds.

The jet black one handed rod shone.

“Wait Wait Wait Wait”

Old Sleighstar is in panic.

Go get him Mistral-san.

I will support Mistral.

Really. Old Sleighstar getting yelled at by Mistral is something that I know but why do we have to do this strange thing every time.

There is no room for sympathy.

When I got back into the moss plaza, I was cheering behind Mistral who was seething with anger as I faced her back.

“O-One's self is aware of the Injuries Ernea has and was only worried.

“Don't waste your breath. Those are healed”

Struggling as his forefoot was trembling, Old Sleighstar was pleading innocence with his buzzing face.

However Mistral refused to hear him out and raised the one handed rod overhead.

Finish him—

“T-this. Do not think of such dangerous things”

Old Sleighstar read my mind.

Grandpa, if its injuries then you can plaster yourself with your prided nasal mucus. Obediently become Mistral's prey.

Towards Old Sleighstar, I placed my hand together and offered a silent prayer.

"Thou intend to return this one's grace with ruin?"

Old Sleighstar's bitter cries were futile and Mistral's one handed rod is swung down on his fingertip.

The shining one handed rod rumbled a dull sound and smashed the scales on Old Sleighstar's fingertip as it sank down on it.

A blasting sound reverberates.

"Agyaaaa"

Old Sleighstar made a pitiful shriek.

Oh my(Arara). As he cried and opened his large mouth, one of the fangs seems to be missing.

Ah, perhaps it broke with yesterday's dispute with mistral.

H-how frightening. (O-Osoroshii)

Looking up at the large legendary dragon, the one injuring it was a beautiful girl called Mistral. Looking at the unreal spectacle before me, I could only smile bitterly.

"Really now. I know you're worried about Ernea's wounds but aren't there other means of doing it."

At one more hit, Mistral seemed to have calmed down as she returned the one-handed rod on her waste and looked up at Old Sleighstar with a troubled face.

Old Sleighstar who was rubbing his fingertip with teary eyes, was groaning sadly.

Then finally, I arrived beside the two of them.

Since the versatile nasal mucus is a mysterious thing, it would just evaporate and disappear if you leave it as it is. So both my and Mistral's clothes had already become dried. It's already dried but I don't think it's become filthy.

“Is it not what you should think at this point?”

At Old Sleighstar’s tsukkomi (Retort), Oopsie, my face was frowning. I’m sorry. But thanks to you, my body that was full of scratches is healed. As expected.

“Fumu, your wounds are healed, and the danger was somehow overcome. Above all, you are safe”

Looking at my healthy figure, Old Sleighstar’s eyes showed a satisfied expression.

“Was Grandpa able to sense that I was in danger?”

It was also the same at the time in the ruins, to be able to perceive me even at a faraway place is amazing.

“This one is able to perceive the damage in the forest and coincidentally, thou Dragon’s power was disturbed so I was certain to send Mistral in a hurry. I am glad that she arrived in time.”

Ohh. So that’s how it was.

“Thank you very much”

I made sure to properly give thanks to Old Sleighstar and Mistral. These kind of matters must be done even within intimate relationships.

However, to be able to perceive the disturbance in the dragon’s vein eh. As I am now, I wonder if I am capable of using the dragon’s power for even a little. That and I too were to train more, I wonder if I would be able to feel the dragon’s pulse and Dragon’s spirit from far away like Old Sleighstar.

“It is something that is up to thee. If thine wishes for it, thee must first work hard.”

“Yes, I will do my best”

“Really, you guys are...”

At the conversation between Old Sleighstar and me using my mind and words, Mistral seemingly gave up and let out a sigh.

“The both of you, aren’t you always talking. Don’t have a conversation that I don’t understand.”

Geez said Mistral as she shook her head. To match with her movement, her long beautiful hair swayed.

Un, this is all thanks to the versatile nasal mucus. It has become more glossy and beautiful than the usual. But it seems mistral would get angry if I were to say this to her.

“Fumu, with this one’s nasal mucus, it will also bring about good things to one’s hair. Is it not pleasant Mistral?”

“Aaaaah, Grandpa. How could you say such thing?”

Will you tell it to me?

My breathing stopped and Mistral was glaring at my face.

“Ernea, sit down right now”

Mistral quickly pointed at me and I followed her words in panic. And then Old Sleighstar was watching us as he laughed with a ‘kakaka’ sound.

Because one of his fangs ended up missing, it somehow turned into something stupid.

“Now then, let’s leave it at that. King, you were supposed to give something to Ernea right?”

Although Mistral was still disgusted at both me and Old Sleighstar, she turned towards a different matter.

“Ah, I also have something important that I must say.”

A Dragon slaying Demon sword. This thing is an important matter that I must talk about today.

“Fumu. Then let us hear of what thou need to talk about.”

“In order for me to also understand, properly put it into words”

After giving a wry smile at Mistral’s retort, I spoke of the details of the time I went to the royal castle.

It was about the collected demon swords in the historic ruins. Even though the purifications were completed, the swords did not rot and the dragon killing attributes remained for all of the four swords.

I also talked about the matters about the Flying dragon knights from Yorutenitosu Kingdom that came flying. Of course I didn't speak of the disagreeable character of the prince had showed me.

"Dragon Slaying sword, is it?"

Mistral with a meek expression placed one of her hands on her chin and pondered.

Old Sleighstar's eyes too were the same and for some reason began to be in thoughts.

Each and every time, I wondered why I was able to understand various things and emotions from Old Sleighstar just from his small movements.

Maybe similar to Old Sleighstar, I am able to read the minds of dragons. As I have thought of that, Old Sleighstar opened his eyes and looked down at me.

"Simultaneously creating demon swords, along with having the same attributes right? Whether if there was such a demon that could posses such strength. No, If it was only demon swords, then there are demons that could make them. But if the dragon slaying attribute were to be given then...

'Ununu', Old Sleighstar groaned.

If it's Old Sleighstar that had lived for a very long time, then he should be able to know a variety of different demons. He must be searching whether a corresponding demon fits among the details we have.

Both I and Mistral kept silent as we watched Old Sleighstar as he was thinking. However, it seems that he was unable to hit upon anything.

"Mistral. After going back to the village, tell this matter to the dragonian tribe, also include the dragon tribe when you do. I am unaware of who is capable of manufacturing this but we cannot leave the weapons that could slay dragons as it is."

To Old Sleighstar who was speaking with an unusual strict tone, Mistral nodded.

"I humbly obey. The people of the Dragon's peak are also to be vigilant on the

movements of the Demon tribe.”

That’s right. I wonder what the Demon tribe is thinking to make such a thing like a Demon sword with a Dragon Slaying Attribute. I think that they are planning something bad as their reason for making it.

It is also worrisome that it was discovered by the Amuado Kingdom, a country of the human tribe beyond the dragon tribe.

Well, if it’s internal things like then the Hero should be the one to handle it. I am certain that Risitia would become busy after this without a doubt.

“It is nice of you to inform this to us. The Demon tribe seems to be scheming something”

“Well then, it’s my turn to say something now right?”

At Mistral’s urging, Old Sleighstar gave a nod.

I wonder what this thing is that they’ll give me. As I was looking with expectations, Old Sleighstar scratched the jet black fur at his wrist and took out something from inside it.

Is the fur even a place to store things away?

Before I could even touch the subject of my concern, the previously taken long and narrow object that was skillfully held between two nails was placed near me.

Well this is.

“A wooden sword?”

Before my eyes, a crude looking branch of wood was placed as calling it a single wooden sword was too much.

The length of the blade is longer than a medium sword but shorter than a long sword. Although a single edge was shaved on it, there was not much width or thickness to it.

The part of the sword guard as it is was short and seemingly stretching. Tree branches were growing as 2 were short to look like a guard, one of which had the leaves and the other one with one leaf still remaining.

The portion of the handgrip as it is had wooden skin left and the entirety of the sword was somehow entangled with ivy.

“Well. This is”

I wonder. I’m having a little bad feeling. A wood entangled with Ivy, right...

“That is the spiritual wood of the young tree that thou have taken care of yesterday.”

“Aaaaaahhhh. My goodness!”

Since the young tree was not growing up under the tree of its mother, I and Mistral brought it with us after pulling it out.

Why did you turn it into a wooden sword?

Isn’t it pitiful?

I was shocked too much about it.